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SHIPPING.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo every week.

The S. S. AVA, 2,670 Tons, 346 H. P., Commander C. M. H. DAY, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 17th August 1876, at 4 P. M.

	Aug.		Sept.
Leaves BOMBAY	17	Leaves Madras	1
„ Carwar	19	„ Musulipatam	3
„ Narakel	23	„ Coconada	3
„ Vizagapatam	23	„ Vizagapatam	4
„ Tuticorin	25	„ Bimlipatam	5
„ Colombo	26	„ Gopalpore	5
„ Nag-e-pa'am	29	„ False Point	6
„ Pondicherry	30	Arrives CALCUTTA	8

Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked by the Steamers on this line hence or from intermediate ports for transhipment at Galle, by the Messageries Maritime Company's Steamers, which run regularly.

Also for Batavia, Sourabaya, Tjillatjap, Palembang, Pentiasak, Atcheen, Padang and Moluccoe Islands, to go forward by the Messageries Maritime and Netherlands India S. N. Companies.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company or other Steamers.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every week to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADER, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, MOHAMMERAH, BUSSEH, and occasionally at BAHREIN, and MAHOMMERAH.

The S.S. COMMILLA, 872 Tons, 130 H.P., Commander J. C. Sharp, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 16th August 1876, at 4 P. M.

	Aug.		Sept.
Leaves BOMBAY	16	Leaves BUSSORAH	4
„ Kurrachee	20	„ Mahomerah	4
„ Gwadel	22	„ Fao	4
„ Jask	24	„ Bushire	6
„ Bunder Abbas	26	„ Lingah	10
„ Lingah	27	„ Bunder Abbas	12
„ Bushire	29	„ Muscat	14
„ Fao	31	„ Kurrachee	19
„ Mahomerah	31	Arrives BOMBAY	22
Arrives BUSSORAH	Sept. 1		

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, will, during the S.W. Monsoon, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every WEDNESDAY, at 4 P.M., and an Extra Steamer on every SATURDAY, at 2 P.M.

The S.S. COMMILLA, 872 Tons, 130 H.P., Commander J. C. Sharp, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 16th August 1876, at 4 P.M.

The S. S. AKOLA, 577 Tons, 130 H. P., Commander T. M. Williams, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 19th August 1876, at 2 P. M.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co. Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY VIA SUEZ CANAL.

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA.

THE REGULAR STEAMERS LEAVE

GENOA, on the 24th, and BOMBAY on the 1st *of each month.*

PASSENGERS' RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
Adea	£22	£15	£4	Including Wines & Light food
Suez	25	22	8	
Port Said	23	24	9	
Messina	50	34	14	
Naples	50	34	14	
Leghorn	50	34	14	
Genoa	50	34	14	
Marseilles	52	35	14-10	

Children under 2 years—free of charge. Children not above 10 years—half fare.

NEXT STEAMERS FROM BOMBAY:—

AUSTRALIA to sail on FRIDAY, 1st September 1876.
SUMATRA to sail on SUNDAY, 1st October 1876.
BASHILA to sail on SUNDAY, 15th October 1876.
BATAVIA to sail on WEDNESDAY, 1st November 1876.
AUSTRALIA to sail on FRIDAY, 1st December 1876.

All steamers of this Company have large First and Second class accommodation; and always carry a Doctor and a Stewardess on board.

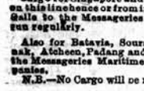
The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For hand-books of information, rates of freight, &c, apply to

C. GRONDONA,
Agent Rubattino Steam Navigation Company,
No. 9, Hummum Street,
Bombay July 1876.

EXTRA STEAMER TO ITALY.

VIA SUEZ CANAL.



IN addition to the regular Steamers, Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co. will despatch from Bombay their well-known and fast Steamer ASSIRIA on the 15th October next, for SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, and MARSEILLES.

This Vessel has large and comfortable accommodation for 1st and 2nd Class passengers.

For passages apply to

C. GRONDONA, Agent.

No. 9, Hummum Street.

FOR SALE AT THIS OFFICE.

THE ACT of PARLIAMENT constituting the HIGH COURT of BOMBAY, with the Letters Patent and other Documents relating to the same. Price RUPEES THREE.

For Sale at this Office.

THE TRIAL AND DEPOSITION OF MULHAR RAO GAEKWAR OF BARODA.

Price—Rs. 8 per Copy.

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SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

THE following or other first-class Vessels will be despatched for EUROPE:—

Vessels.	Captains.	Tons.	H.P.	Aug. 1876.	
SURAT	G. C. Burne	3141	530	18th—Suez, &c.	
MIRZAPORE	A. Parish R. N. R.	3763	600	25th—Southampton.	
PERA	G. Hyde R. N. R.	2119	450	1st—Suez, &c.	Sept.
CATHAY	R. T. Dundas	2982	490	8th—Southampton.	
SUMATRA	J. C. Almond R. N. R.	2488	450	15th—Suez, &c.	
KHEDIVE	J. D. Stoward	3742	600	22nd—Southampton.	

Passengers are booked to Malta, Gibraltar and Southampton by every Mail. The Southampton Steamers proceed to that port direct; but by the alternate Steamers Passengers change vessels at Suez.

Passengers to Brindisi, Ancona, and Venice are carried by every Steamer, but proceed by rail from Suez to Alexandria.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon, on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

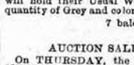
A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M. precisely, on the day of sailing.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 7th August 1876.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On MONDAY, the 21st August 1876, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.



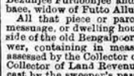
THE P. and O. Co.'s S.S. GEELONG, Captain C. Fraser, (1,835 Tons and 250 H.P.), will be despatched as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails and taking also passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the Officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's Office before noon, on FRIDAY, the 18th August 1876.

GEORGE F. HENRY,
Bombay, 7th August 1876. Superintendent.

STEAM TO KING GEORGE'S SOUND, ADELAIDE, MELBOURNE, AND SYDNEY.

On SATURDAY, the 19th August, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.



THE Peninsular and Oriental Company's Steamship CHINA, 2,016 Tons, and 400 H. P., Captain J. Oman, will be despatched as above, calling at Galle.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GEORGE F. HENRY,
3, Rampart Row, 12th Aug. 1876. Superintendent.

ANCHOR LINE—INDIAN SERVICE.

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE following or other First Class Steamers of the ANCHOR LINE will sail from GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL to PORT SAID, SUEZ, and BOMBAY, and from BOMBAY to SUEZ, PORT SAID, GIBRALTAR, and LIVERPOOL:—

	Tons	H.P.	From Glasgow.	From Liverpool.	From Bombay.
TRINACRIA	2167	424	.....	22nd July.	6th Sept.
EUROPA	2277	424	.....	9th Aug.	23rd Sept.
INDIA	2289	500	.....	26 Sept.	21st Oct.
UTOPIA	2730	678	.....	7th Oct.	18th N. Y.
MACEDONIA	2292	816	.....	21st Oct.	6th Dec.

And regularly thereafter, further sailings being arranged according to the requirements of the trade.

All the Steamers of this Line carry a SURGEON and a STEWARDESS, and have superior First-class accommodation fitted with every convenience.

Passengers and Cargo booked through to New York in connection with the Anchor Line Trans-Atlantic Service.

FARES FROM BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL.

FIRST CLASS	Rs. 500

A reduction of 15 per cent. will be given on Return Passages all who re-embark by Anchor Line Steamers within twelve months of time of landing.

For Passage, Freight, &c., apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co., Agents

Bombay, 25th July 1876.

HALL LINE OF STEAMERS.

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL.
(VIA SUEZ CANAL.)

The following Steamers will sail from Bombay as under:—

S S. BRANKSOME HALL to sail on 19th August.
„ CHILDWALL HALL „ 30th September.
„ CITY OF BALTIMORE „ 11th October.
„ TRENTHAM HALL to follow.

SPECIAL ATTENTION of INTENDING PASSENGERS is particularly called to these fine and very fast steamers, which have been built specially for the Indian Trade. The average time occupied on the passage is 25 days.

For Rates of Passage Money and for any further particulars apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co., Bombay.

ANCHOR LINE.

LIVERPOOL VIA NAPLES.

THE S. S. TRINACRIA, Captain Hutchison, sailing on the 6th September, will call at NAPLES. For passage, &c. apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co

SALES BY AUCTION.

MENESSE AND COMPANY.

On THURSDAY, the 17th instant, Messrs. MENESSE & Co. will hold their Usual Weekly Auction Sale at their rooms, a quantity of Grey and colored piece goods, twist, &c., &c.

7 bale's grey shirtings.

AUCTION SALE OF SILK PIECE GOODS.

On THURSDAY, the 17th instant, at 2 P. M., Messrs. MENESSE & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the Town Custom House, on account of the underwriters:—

Ex s. s. Pekin, transhipped from the s. s. Thibet.

ENBL—17—1 case damaged silk piece goods consisting of silk sarries, borders, gauze, crape, panj, gatpotch, satin, &c. f &c.

AUCTION SALE OF LANDED PROPERTY AT OLD BENGALPOORA STREET.

On TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, at 4 P.M., Messrs. MENESSE & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the undermentioned premises by order of administrators to the Estate of the late Bezunjee Furdoonjee and on account of the Mortgagor, Amoobace, widow of Futto Allum.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground together with the messuage or dwelling house built thereon, situate on the West side of the old Bengalpora street in the subdistrict of Bhoothwer, containing in measurement about 48 2/9 square yards assessed by the Collector of assessment under No. 30 and by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 1519, and bounded on the east by the sweeper's passage, on the west by the old Bengalpoora street, on the north by the house of Bhimjee Girdhur, and on the south by the house of Bhora Tajbhoy Boda bhoy.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the undersigned.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 15th August 1876.

BENNETT AND COMPANY, No. 4, FORBES STREET.

AUCTION SALE of Valuable and Handsome French-polished and richly Carved Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelainware, &c., at Queen's Road Chowpaty.

On SATURDAY next, the 19th instant, at 1 P.M., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the abovementioned place, the valuable and handsome household furniture, &c., the property of J. MASSON, Esq.;

Full particulars will be given hereafter.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 15th August 1876.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY, 2, MARINE STREET, BOMBAY.

SALE OF LANDED PROPERTY ON THE FALKLAND ROAD.

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, the 15th instant, at 4 P. M., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises by order of the mortgagees Sheila Guj-jee, Vudram Jesaji and Shamjee Godajee, trading under the name of Heera Nojun, and on account and at the risk of the estate of the late Naikin Ashajee Chooriwalee, the mortgagor:—

All that piece of farzundaree ground, together with the dwelling house standing thereon, situate on the north side of the Falkland Road, in the subdistrict of Bhoolcshwar, in the island of Bombay, formerly assessed under No. 86 and now under No. 1-3, containing by admeasurement 83 1/3 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded on the east by the house of Mypat Ghonch, on the west by the public passage, on the north by the house of Dhondoo Byroo, and on the south by the said Falkland Road.

AUCTION SALE of Household Furniture, &c., at the shop No. 7, Khulasi Chuckla, or Furniture Bazaar, without the Fort.

On WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at 1 P.M., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at No. 7, Khulasi Chuckla, the surplus stock-in-trade of Mr. Munjee Canjee, changing his place of business, the same comprises teak-wood and blackwood camp tables, arm, without arm, folding and easy chairs, children's cots and cradles, dining and writing tables, meat safes, iron and brass bedsteads, child's cradles, folding and easy chairs, clocks and time pieces, pictures, book-shelves, 1 and 4 light lustres, candle-sticks, water-filter, China garden seats, campchairs and leather trunks, carriage and other lamps, iron safe, carpets, bathing tubs, China and coir matting, sewing machines, perambulators, marble flower vases and slabs, knives and forks, &c.

Now on view,

CRAWFORD & Co.

Bombay, 15th August 1876.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

TENDERS will be received up to TUESDAY next, the 22nd current, for LABOUR for DOCKING and UNDOCKING VESSELS at the Company's Dockyard, Mazagon.

Particulars can be learned on application to

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 15th August 1876.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

TENDERS will be received up to TUESDAY next, the 22nd current, for LABOUR required for LOADING and DISCHARGING COAL, and for any Boats which may be necessary.

For particulars apply to

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 15th August 1876.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HEAD READER WANTED.—Must be strictly Sober and Competent. No one need apply without a knowledge of the Business. Apply personally with Testimonials to the Manager, *Bombay Gazette*.

A GREY ARAB HORSE, age 7, height 14-2, with a certificate of soundness, broken to harness, has CARRIED A LADY, a free good mover, up to great weight, and with a considerable turn of speed, free from vice. Price Rs. 800. Apply to SCOTT and Co. This advertisement will appear ONLY THREE TIMES.

TABLE LINEN.

GERMAN MISSION WEAVING ESTABLISHMENT, MANGALORE.

TABLE CLOTHS.

DAMASK PATTERN.

Each	Rs.	as.	Each	Rs.	as.
6 ft. by 6	4	0	7 ft. by 12	9	8
6 ft. by 8	5	6	8½ ft. by 8½	7	4
6 ft. by 9	6	0	8½ ft. by 10	8	14
7 ft. by 7	5	8	8½ ft. by 15	13	4
7 ft. by 9	7	0	9½ ft. by 9½	10	4
7 ft. by 10	8	0	10 ft. by 10	11	4
7 ft. by 10½	8	8			

DIAMOND PATTERN.

Each	Rs.	as.	Each	Rs.	as.
5½ ft. by 5½	2	12	7 ft. by 9	5	8
6 ft. by 6	3	4	7½ ft. by 7½	4	12
6 ft. by 8	4	6	7½ ft. by 9	5	12
6½ ft. by 8	4	10	7½ ft. by 10	6	6
6½ ft. by 9	5	4	7½ ft. by 12	7	10
7 ft. by 7	4	4			

TABLE NAPKINS.

DAMASK PATTERN.

per doz.	Rs.	as.	per doz.	Rs.	as.
20 in. by 20	4	8	24 in. by 24	5	8

DIAMOND PATTERN.

per doz.	Rs.	as.	per doz.	Rs.	as.
20 in. by 20	3	12	24 in. by 24	4	12

TOWELS.

per doz.	Rs.	as.	per doz.	Rs.	as.
28 in. by 36	6	0	34 in. by 45	11	4
32 in. by 32	7	8	34 in. by 54	13	8
32 in. by 45	10	8	36 in. by 54	14	6
32 in. by 54	12	8			

FOR CASH ONLY.

COUNTERPANES FOR SINGLE AND DOUBLE COTS, TOILETTE TABLE COVERS,
TROUSERING AND SHIKAR STUFFS.
SAMPLES FORWARDED ON APPLICATION

SOLE AGENT,
J. NEUBERG,
BOMBAY.

THE POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED

CAPITAL,
£500,000, with power to increase.
HEAD OFFICE,
34, Cannon Street, London.

A Uniform Rate of Premium for the Whole World, and for all Professions or Employments.

No Entire Forfeiture of Policies, and Lapsed Policies revived without fine.

Surrender Value of Policies, (being 40 per cent. of premiums paid) Fixed at Time of Effecting the Assurance.

Positive notes or paid-up Policies issued on each Payment of Premium being made.

All Net Premiums invested in Government Paper at Compound Interest, and lodged with Official Trustee to meet Claims.

As an outer fortification to the system, £20 out of every £100, paid as Capital, is invested in Consols in trust, and forms a Guarantee Fund which can be made available (at any of the Company's Branches) at any time when a sudden mortality affects the ordinary Life Funds of the Company.

ASSURANCES EFFECTED
In Five Different Forms.

WHOLE LIFE POLICIES
With payment of Premiums ceasing, at the option of the Assured,
After 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, or 30 years.

WHOLE LIFE POLICIES
With Premiums payable during continuance of Life.

POLICIES FOR JOINT LIVES,
Payable at decease of the First which shall fall of Two Lives.

POLICIES FOR SHORT TERMS.
Of from 1 to 10 years.

ENDOWMENT POLICIES,
Payable at 50, 55, 60, or 65 years of age, or earlier in the event of death.

OPINIONS OF THE LONDON PRESS.

The *Times*:—"Contrasting this Plan of Life Insurance with that heretofore in operation, it will be found that Insurers enjoy *privileges of a most valuable character; and the public will do well to look into the principles of the new system now in operation, which offers perfect security and also protects their rights and interests.*"

The *Post Magazine*:—"We have from time to time expressed our approval of the principles upon which the *Positive* Company has been founded, and that the public has coincided in that approval the report very clearly indicates.

"Life Assurance is a very profitable business, and an office which furnishes the best known security, and at the same time give the best terms, will ultimately command the largest business. The *Positive*, therefore, whilst foregoing the dishonest profits arising from forfeitures, expects to receive the certain reward of fair dealing—numerous and extensive transactions."

The *Globe*:—"At all events, under the plan of the 'Positive Company,' the assured need feel no apprehension for the security of the principal sum they have provided for their families, or for the loss of the Premiums already paid if they are unable to continue their payments."

EXPLANATION
OF
THE POSITIVE PLAN.

POSITIVE LIFE ASSURANCE is an entirely new system, which confers several highly important advantages on the Assured, never before presented to the public.

The word "Positive" is employed, because it definitely expresses the object now accomplished, namely, that of giving the Assured a "positive" negotiable property, resting on Government security, for every premium paid.

According to general custom, every premium paid on a life-policy is a "payment" to the office. In most cases it is non-returnable, except the Assured should die whilst the policy is in force.

This defect in Life Assurance is remedied by the Positive system, under which 40 per cent. of every premium paid is a "deposit" belonging to the Assured, in the same way as a deposit in a Bank, withdrawable at the option of the depositor. Such deposit is represented by a Positive Note, free from all conditions, entitling "the bearer" to the sum assured at death, or to withdraw the deposit three days after presentation. This simple arrangement entirely changes the position of the Assured with the office; because he never loses control over his money; full value for which he must receive in some way or other. For although he can only withdraw 40 per cent. of his premium payments, he gets full value for the other 60 per cent. by being assured.

Placing the power of withdrawing 40 per cent. of all premiums paid in the hands of the Assured, enables them to test the solvency of the Company at any time, in the same manner that depositors in a doubtful bank usually resort to, namely, by taking out their cash; whereas, in ordinary Life Assurance Companies, the Assured possesses no such power, hence the dissatisfaction with Life Assurance and the slow progress it makes with the public.

Under the Positive system, this power of redeeming its assurance engagements is always possessed, resulting from investing the whole of the net premiums in Government Securities, besides a nominal fifth of the paid-up Capital in special trust, for the sole purpose of providing for them, and for no other purpose.

The Trust is regulated by a deed, under power contained in the Company's Memorandum of Association, and the Trust funds cannot be made liable, except for assurance engagements, under any circumstances whatever.

Under all contingencies, the Assured in "The Positive" exercises independent control over the office—he can at any time retire from it without loss—his position is defined at the time he pays his first premium—and nothing can occur to deprive him of any benefit he purchases.

The usual restrictions respecting travelling, foreign residence, paying probate, or legacy duty, and all other conditions, are abolished, consequently, Life Assurance is stripped of all those uncertainties and conditions which have hitherto been connected with it.

The lives of the Upper Class of Natives assured at special rates which can be had on application.

To save misapprehension on a point on which there is always some doubt, on the demise of the Assured the amount assured is paid to the heirs, assigns and 3 months afterwards without demur.

All Forms, Prospectuses, also last year's Report, can be had application to

ALFRED L. GILLAM,
Bombay Office, 4, Hornby Row. Agent.

TREACHER & COMPANY, LD., WINE MERCHANTS.

BY APPOINTMENT.

ESTABLISHED IN THIS PRESIDENCY FOR HALF A CENTURY.

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CONSTITUENTS and intending Purchasers are respectfully solicited to test the quality of our Brands when comparing our quotations with those of competing Houses, and also to note that the quotations include LOSS BY EXCHANGE, IMPORT AND TOWN DUTIES, AND ALL OTHER CHARGES, BEING FREE DELIVERY FROM OUR GODOWNS.

CASH PRICES.

SHERRIES.

	Per Dozen Quarts.	Pints.		Per Dozen. Quarts.	Pints.
AMONTILLADO, superior, very old and choice	Rs. 42 0	...	VINO DE PASTO, a good generous Dinner WINE	Rs. 28 0	...
OLOROSO, pale soft, fine flavour	42 0	...	PALE DINNER, an excellent light Wine for general use	24 0	...
MANZANILLA, very dry and pale, unsurpassed for delicacy and purity	31 0	...	YELLOW SEAL, pale and light	18 0	...
GOLDEN, a rich nutty-flavoured Dessert Wine	31 0	...	MARSALA	18 0	...
OLD DRY, very superior, soft and dry	31 0	...	MADEIRA, E. India, selected, old and very fine	35 0	...

PORTS.

SUPERIOR OLD, tawny, with fine Bouquet and character	Rs. 35 0	19 0	FINE OLD, possessing good body and flavour	Rs. 30 0	16 0
			WHITE SEAL, rich and fruity	20 0	...

CHAMPAGNES.

F. GIESLER & Co.'s "for India" brand	Rs. 50 0	27 8	FINE SPARKLING	Rs. 34 0	...
PERRIER JOUET & Co.'s do.	49 0	26 8	SUPERIOR SPARKLING SAUMUR	30 0	16 8
DRY SILLERY	41 0	22 8	SPARKLING SAUMUR	27 0	...

HOCKS.

JOHANNISBERG	Rs. 44 0	...	HOCHHEIM	Rs. 26 0	14 0
LIEBFRAUMILCH	38 0	19 8	STEINWEIN (Glass Jugs)	26 0	...
NIERSTEIN	28 0	15 0	LAUBENHEIM	19 0	11 0

SPARKLING HOCKS.

FINEST SPARKLING EHRENBRETSTEIN	Rs. 44 0	24 0	SUPERIOR SPARKLING	Rs. 36 0	20 0

MOSELLES.

SCHARZBERG	Rs. 35 0	18 8	MUSCATEL MOSELLE	Rs. ...	14 0
SUPERIOR MOSELLE	30 0	16 8	WINNINGEN	21 0	...

SPARKLING MOSELLES.

FINEST SPARKLING NONPAREIL	Rs. 43 0	23 8	FINE SPARKLING	Rs. 34 0	...
SUPERIOR SPARKLING	36 0	20 8			

CLARETS.

BORDEAUX { Excellent Cup or	Rs. 10 8	...	CHATEAU LAGRANGE	Rs. 22 0	12 0
PETIT MEDOCK { Breakfast Wines	13 8	7 12	CHATEAU LAROSE { Superior after	27 0	15 0
MEDOCK, Superior	16 8	9 12	CHATEAU MARGAUX { Dinner Wines	33 0	17 8

SAUTERNES.

HAUT SAUTERNES, very rich and fine	Rs. 32 0	...	BARSAC, light Table Wine	Rs. 20 0	...
SAUTERNES, delicate flavour	24 0	...			

BURGUNDIES.

CHAMBERTIN	Rs. 31 0	17 0	BEAUNE	Rs. 19 0	10 8
POMMARD	26 0	14 0	CHABLIS	17 0	...
MACON	24 0	13 0			

SPARKLING BURGUNDIES.

SPARKLING BURGUNDY, red, a rich fruity Wine	Rs. 40 0	22 0	SPARKLING BURGUNDY, White, a rich fruity Wine	Rs. 40 0	22 0

SPIRITS.

COGNAC, Fine Old Pale, a choice matured Spirit	Rs. 32 0	...	WHISKEY, Scotch; Crabbie's	Rs. 21 0	...
COGNAC, Old Pale	28 0	...	Do. Fine Old Glenlivat (Treacher's special blend	28 8	...
COGNAC, Pale	24 0	...	HENNESSY'S BRANDY	28 8	...
GIN, London Old Tom	18 8	...	Do. do.	32 8	...
HOLLANDS GENEVA, per case of 15 large flasks (De Keyper's)	28 0	...	Do. do.	34 8	...
RUM, Finest Old Jamaica	23 8	...	MOUNIE'S Vine Leaf do.	27 0	...
WHISKEY, Irish, Kinahan's celebrated L. L.	23 8	...	MARTELL'S do.	27 0	...
			EXSHAW'S No. 1 do.	39 8	...

LIQUEURS AND BITTERS.

CURACAO, Amsterdam, Orange or White per bottle	4 0	2 4	VERMOUTH per bottle	1 8	...
MARASCHINO DIZARA, (the finest) „	3 12	2 0	MILK PUNCH „	...	1 12
CHERRY BRANDY, best Copenhagen „	2 12	1 8	FREEMASON'S LIQUEUR „	...	1 12
CHARTREUSE from the { Green „	7 0	3 12	GINGER WINE per dozen	17 0	...
Monastery { Yellow „	5 12	3 0	ORANGE WINE „	...	...
GOLD WATER, Dantzig Brandy „	3 12	...	ORANGE BITTERS „	18 0	10 0
CREME DE NOYEAU, best „	3 8	2 0	POMALO & ORANGE BITTERS CONCENTRATED, T. & Co.'s „	44 0	27 0
CREME DE CITRONELLE „	3 4	...	BRANDY BITTERS	½ Pints.	... 12 0
CREME DE ROSE „	3 4	1 12	WINE BITTERS		
CREME DE VANILLE „	3 4	1 12			
ANISETTE „	3 4	...			

BOMBAY, BYCULLA, AND POONA.

ICE! ICE!! ICE!!!

M. BRESLAUER & Co. beg to announce to the Public that the want now so much felt for a SUPPLY of ICE, can easily be remedied by their purchasing M. B. & Co.'s

NEW PATENT ICE MACHINE.

These machines produce Ice in FIVE MINUTES, and can be seen working at M. B. & Co.'s premises.

THE LARGEST, CHEAPEST, AND THE BEST ASSORTMENT OF TWEEDS IN BOMBAY.

TWEEDS AT A GREAT REDUCTION OF PRICES.

COATS D. B. and TROUSERS, fine Wool, strong, and just the thing for Office or Jungle Wear	Rs.	16	to 20
SCOTCH TWEED, superior quality, COATS and TROUSERS	„	25	to 30
WEST OF ENGLAND TWEED, New pattern, ditto ditto	„	35	to 40
SILK MIXED TWEEDS and Fancy Coatings, ditto ditto	„	45	to 50

JUST ARRIVED,

ALLAN'S CYCLONIAN WATERPROOF SUITS.

WELL-KNOWN TO RESIST THE SEVEREST WEATHER AND WARRANTED NOT TO STICK TOGETHER.

For Suits, send size of chest, Height and	Rs.	27
Military Regulation Waterproof Capes		35

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Superior Kid Gloves for Gentlemen—White, Black and Colored, "Black and White Scarves and Dress Neckties."

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LADIES' OWN MATERIAL MADE UP WITH CARE AND TASTE.

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WINES, SPIRITS, BEER, &c.

AUSTRALIAN WINE from Sr. HUBERT'S VINEYARD—CHASSELAS (White), HERMITAGE (Red), Rs. 12 per dozen.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

MONDAY EVENING, 14TH AUGUST 1876.

We have no commercial intelligence from home of a later date than what we gave in our issue of this morning, no telegrams of to-day's date having come through up to the time of writing.

The Bank of Bombay return for the week ending on Saturday shows the following changes :—

Government Balance at H. O.	Dec.	Rs. 30,66,895
Do. do. Branches	Dec. ,,	6,73,307
Deposits	Inc. ,,	1,30,604
Government Securities	Inc. ,,	76,815
Loans	Dec. ,,	4,54,943
Bills Discounted	,, ,,	7,51,109
Cash with Correspondents	Dec. ,,	3,04,339
Cash and Currency Notes	Dec. ,,	20,35,141

The reduction in the Government Balances may be put down to the payment of last week's Council drafts, irrespective of which the alterations are in favour of easier money, the public demand showing a falling off of upwards of 13 lacs. It is scarcely probable that any change will be made in the rates for accommodation at to-morrow's Board meeting, but the tendency of the outside market is still towards increased ease.

In STERLING EXCHANGE there has been no actual movement in rates to-day, but there are symptoms of the market having reached the top for the time being, inasmuch as the Banks are all willing buyers of any small amounts of private paper offering at current rates, while considerable transactions have also taken place in Bank Bills between Banks. In all probability there will be very little business done during the next two days pending the result of Wednesday's allotments of Councils, but unless they go at something over our present level, there seems little reason to look for a further advance, as we hear further large shipments of silver are likely to be advised by this week's Southampton steamer. We quote :—

Bank Bills on demand	1s. 8¼d.	per Rupee
Do. 6 months' sight	1s. 8¼d.	,,
Credits 3 ,, ,,	1s. 8¼d.	,,
Documents, 3 months' sight	1s. 8¼d.	,,

On Calcutta and in Government Paper we do not hear of any quotable change.

The SHARE MARKET is quiet but firm. Bank of Bombays are ¼ per cent. higher and National Bank shares have advanced Re. 1. In Land and Press Companies there is no movement to notice. Spinning and Weaving shares are steady and in some instances a trifle dearer.

In COTTON no actual transactions are reported. Exporters are still deterred from operating by the uncertainty about Exchange, and the only buying is on account of the local Spinning Companies.

FREIGHTS are very quiet, but as there is only one steamer on the berth for Liverpool the rate has been pushed up to £2-7-6. By sail £2 continues the nominal quotation.

PIECE Goods are quiet but firm. Large indents are going forward by wire, but in ready goods transactions are most limited.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

Number of Shares	Nominal Value p. sh.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Banks.	Cash Rates per Shr.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
100,000	100	all	8 p.ct.	Agra Bank	107
40,000	50	all	10 do.	Bank of Bengal	675 xd.
20,000	500	all	10 p.ct.	Bank of Bombay	7182
5,000	1,000	all	8 do.	Bank of Madras	1,300
33,000	250	all	8 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bank of I. L. & China	300
43,000	$ 125	all	6p.ct.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	330
40,000	400	all	5 p.ct.	Chartered Bank of India and China	175
37,221	200	125	5 do.	National Bank of India	113
60,000	200	all	11 do.	Oriental Bank	505

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPAINS.

75	1,250	all	50 p.ct.	Alexandra S. & W, Co	1,175
500	375	all	150	Alliance Spinning	2,675
30,000	100	89	...	Am[illegible]ns S. & M. Co	75
300	2,000	all	...	Bowmagur M[illegible]	1,575
1,000	1,000	all	50 p.c	Bombay United	1,255
4,800	100	all	10	Branch Mills	150
900	1,000	all	...	Colaba S. & W. Co.	1,030
1,000	1,000	all	...	Coorla S. & W. Co.	1,040
2,000	500	450	...	Central India S. & W. Co.	535
300	2,000	all	...	Dharwarpur Spinning	1,230
1,500	1,000	all	50 p.c.	Hinga S. & W. Co.	1,215
1,400	1,000	all	...	Great Eastern	1,205
2,000	300	all	...	Jombay Hemp & Jute Mill Co	230
875	1,000	all	10 p.c.	Hindustan S. W. Co.	1,205
700	1,000	750	...	Hindustan S. & W. Co.	850
1,000	1,000	all	...	Jew[illegible] Balloo Mills	1,125
750	1,000	410	40 p.c	Kurla Cotton Spinning	500
1,000	1,000	all	...	Muconjee S. & W. Co.	1,010
1,200	1,000	all	...	Indra Spinning	1,170
425	1,000	all	75 p.c	Indra U. Spinning	1,170
1,200	500	all	...	Sandvie S. & W. Co.	425
2,000	1,000	all	70	Manockji Petit's	1,340
1,143	350	all	60 p.c	Morarjee Spinning	1,340
2,000	5,000	...	...	Mazagon S. & W. Co.	325
990	1,000	all	...	National S. & W. Co. of India	960
400	1,000	all	...	Neriad S. & W. Co.	425
2,000	500	all	...	Nusery S. & W. Co.	410
1,000	600	all	60 p.c	Prince of Wales Spinning	850
6[illegible]	1,250	all	...	Prince of Wales Spinning	1,235
1,250	1,000	all	...	Ramoon S. W. Co.	1,170
650	1,000	all	50 p.c	Soonderdas Spinning	1,080
500	1,000	125	125 p.c	Do. do. 1/4 share	900
600	1,000	all	...	Sholapore S. & W. Co.	1,005

Per share for the half-year.

LAND COMPANIES.

3,948	1,000	all	425	Colaba Land Co. (New)	1,170
7,500	150	all	...	Frere Land & Pier Co. Ltd	160
1,750	1,000	1,000	30 p.c	Mazagon Land	470
6,000	1,000	all	10 do.	Port Canning Land Company, Limited	220

BANK OF BOMBAY.

STATEMENT of the affairs of the Bank of Bom bay on the 12th August as compared with the statement issued on the 5th August :—

LIABILITIES.	5th August. Rs.	12th August Rs.
Proprietors' Capital	1,00,00,000	1,00,00,000
Reserve Fund, invested in Government Securities	20,00,000	20,00,000
Government General Account balance at Head Office	94,89,350	64,82,455
Do. do. Co. Branches	27,47,103	29,73,881
Other Deposits	1,19,10,811	1,20,41,415
Post Bills	62,283	65,715
Cash Credits, undrawn	3,97,510	4,23,417
	3,66,07,142	3,30,86,873
ASSETS.		
Government Securities	66,30,932	67,07,747
Cash Credits, on Security of Government Paper, Bullion and Merchandise	14,45,940	13,94,285
Loans on Security of do. do.	23,33,876	18,78,934
Current Accounts, overdrawn	598	362
Bills Discounted	1,27,61,611	1,20,10,799
Stamps	4,076	4,140
Dead Stock	Rs. 5,76,699	
Amount applied in reduction	1,15,000	
	3,61,425	3,61,699
Bullion	6,60,764	3,56,425
Cash Balances with Correspondents	1,24,07,920	1,03,72,779
Cash and Currency Notes	3,66,07,142	3,30,86,873

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE BARQUE NORWOOD, 785 tons, Captain W. S. Nattress, will sail to-day for Elephant Point, in ballast.

THE B. I. S. N. Co.'s AKOLA, 315 tons, Captain T. M. Williams, arrived in harbour, on the 13th instant from Kurrachee, with a general cargo and one deck passenger.

THE B. I. S. N. Co.'s s. s. CANARA, 1,229 tons, Captain T. Sanders, which arrived in harbour on the 13th instant from Coast and Calcutta, with a general cargo, and the following passengers.—Mr. Cussack, Mr Cromartie, Mr. McIndgeon. Mr. James, Mr. Ossman, Mr. Emman, and eighteen deck passengers.

ARRIVAL.

Aug.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
13	Akola (s)	Williams	Kurrachee, Aug. 11.

DEPARTURE.

Aug.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
14	Astracana which	James	Calcutta.

The barque Norwood, Nattress, to Elephant Point, obtained her port clearance yesterday.

The following vessels were entered out for loading yesterday :—Steamer Geelong, to China, &c.
Steamer Benmore, to Antwerp.
Ship Othana, to Hull.

MADRAS.

Aug.	ARRIVALS.	
12	Asia (s)	Rangoon.
	Mirzapore (s)	Calcutta.
Aug.	DEPARTURES.	
11	Africa (s)	Calcutta.
	Sir J. Lawrence (s)	Calcutta.
	Chychassa (s)	Calcutta.
12	Ethiopia (s)	Bombay.
	Martha Jackson	Masulipatam.

DAILY IMPORTS.—AUGUST 14.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Clive s—1 cask hardware, Eabhoy Tyebally.
Strathleven s—2 cases hardware, Ebrahim Peerkhan.
Branksome Hall s—25 bundles nail rod iron, Abdoolally Sumseddin.

DAILY EXPORTS.—AUGUST 14.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Branksome Hall s—130 cwts horns, Nanseebhoy Allarakhia ; 30 bales wool, Bennichund Fucker hund ; 120 bales wool, Hurjeevan Vussonjee ; 120 bales cotton, Kessowjee Jadowjee ; 95 bales cotton, Goordhurjee Rugoonjee ; 60 bales cotton Sevjee Samrt ; 100 bales cotton, Wallace and Co ; 57 bales cotton, Pragjee Luckmedass ; 19 bundles hides, Abdoola Hasum ; 6 bundles hides and 39½ cwts horns, Hasum Noormamed.

FOR LONDON.

Sir John Lawrence—300 cwts myrabollams, Joosub Lutiff ; 4,500 cwts linseed, Finlay, Scott and Co.

FOR HAVRE.

Magdala s—17 bales cotton, Vinay and Co.

FOR UNITED KINGDOM.

Slieve Bloom—766½ cwts linseed, Wallace and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Surat s—911 cwts pepper, Tyebjee and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Surat s—100 bales cotton, P & O Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Geelong —125 bales cotton and 64 bales twist, Jairazbhoy Peerbhoy ; 145 bales twist, E D Sassoon ; 40 bales twist, Hajee John Mahomed Abdool Khaluck ; 81 bales cotton, Goolam Hossein John Mahomed ; 75 bales cotton, Cursetjee Pomanjee and Co ; 76 bales twist, Hajee Abdoola Noor Mahomed, for their classes ; and, if actually distributed, can only be looked on as seven or eight thousand rupees wasted. It is rather amusing, too, when we are trying to improve the indigenous breed that we should offer prizes for Kattywar stallions. If they are superior to exotic horses, why have the latter been located in Guzerat to improve the breed ? And, if inferior, what is the use of encouraging an inferior article ?

In comparing this year's prospectus with that issued on former occasions, we notice there are a few differences. A system of free entries for certain classes has been introduced—classes fifteen to seventeen, twenty to twenty-three, and twenty-five to twenty-six—all for young stock—being included in the new arrangement. The alteration has been made, we conclude, to meet the well-known indigence of many of the koonbees who form the great mass of breeders ; but as the stewards have for the last three or four years had discretionary power to remit the entrance fees of needy exhibitors, the change will practically not make very much difference. Another thing we notice is the omission in this year's prospectus of the remark usually inserted opposite to classes 20 to 24, intimating that the country-bred stock, the produce of the Government horses, can enter, in addition to the classes named, in classes fifteen to nineteen for the indigenous country-breed. Whether this is an intimation on the part of the Committee that for the future the two classes of country-breds are to be kept quite distinct we cannot quite make out ; but we should think not ; as under rule No. 1 of the conditions, it is clear that any animal can take prizes in two different classes provided he is competent and his owner pays the entry fee. It would be as well, however, if this little ambiguity was cleared up, so that owners coming from a distance might know exactly what to expect. It has further been ruled under the conditions attached to this year's programme that sillad[illegible] of native cavalry are in future to be excluded from the show—that is to say, animals exhibited by them have been declared ineligible for prizes ; and, such being the case, it is not to be expected that they will, except under pressure, parade their animals for the purpose of swelling the number of exhibitors. There is perhaps something to be said in favour of a rule of this sort, but on the whole we think it is a mistake. Silladars who draw a monthly horse allowance from Government for the maintenance of their horses can, of course, as a rule have better animals in far better order, so far as condition and good grooming are concerned, than the ordinary villager who treats his horse very much in the same way as he does his cow ; and, furthermore, the trooper has the advantage of a wide range of country and a sailor's judgment in making his purchases. This, it may be said, is giving him an unfair advantage, and that with such odds in his favour, it is naturally to be expected he will compete with better chance of success than the ordinary koonbee. But after all, though this may sound plausible enough, it is only tantamount to saying that money is all-powerful and gives the possessor of it an immense advantage. This is true in all spheres of life where buying and selling are concerned, and if this idea was followed out to its logical conclusion, all prizes should be restricted to those animals whose owners could only boast of a well worn *langotee* for a full dress. The idea possibly may be that the silladar's horses are to a certain extent Government property, inasmuch as Government has a perpetual lien on their services, and that as such, they should be included in the same category as other Government horses ; but even supposing this to be the case, why should the disability extend to the *private* horses of the silladars ? Some of these men take an immense interest in rearing young stock ; and it seems preposterous, because they happen to be Government servants, that therefore they should be disqualified from enjoying the same privileges as their fellow citizens. We cannot help thinking there must be some mistake in the matter, and that the real intention of the Committee is that clause 2 in the rule should only apply to the *troop* horses. Prizes for teams of four, pairs, tandems and singles have, we observe, been this year struck out of the programme. Whether this is in consequence of the failure of subscriptions from the public, on which the prizes for these classes are specially dependent, or whether it was caused by the poor show of entries on former occasions we cannot say ; anyhow we think they will not be much missed, and that in a show like the one we are noticing Walers and Arab teams are out of place. Had a little money been laid out for harness horses, *the produce of the Government stallions*, and had the prizes for hunters, hacks, and chargers been restricted to a similar description of animals, we think the prospectus would do more towards the encouragement of breeding than the existing arrangements ; and though at first it might be expected that the entries would under such circumstances be poor, still we think that eventually, as the public began to find out what good horses can sometimes be bred from the Bhimthurry mare, they would be induced to look out for them instead of running off as is now the case to the Arab and Waler markets in Bombay. The country breds reared in the Bhimthurry districts are the best hacks in the world ; and when large enough, are also first class harness horses and chargers, and we feel convinced that if anything could be done to preven. their exportation to native States when yearlings, they would soon become formidable rivals, for everything but racing purposes, to the small Arabs and low-bred Walers for which such high prices are now asked in Bombay.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENT.

"A."—We note with regret the contents of your letter. You complain that the correspondence from Oomrawuttee, which appeared in our issue of the 12th, was low and malicious, and that the last paragraph contained an offensive allusion, by a pun on the names of two respectable residents. The letter appeared to us to be *bona fide*, and was accompanied by the name of the writer ; and as the allusions could have been understood only by residents in the Berars, it is scarcely to be wondered at if we thought they were genuine and gave them publicity. There are always people who think it clever to perform pieces of clandestine blackguardism like those to which you allude, and if further proofs is forthcoming that your statements are true, we shall consider it our duty to publish the name of the correspondent, as a warning to other gentlemen who think it fine fun to induce an Indian newspaper to give publicity to covert attacks on respectable individuals.

MR. E. M. WALTON,
SURGEON DENTIST,
12, RAMPART ROW.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR INSERTING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES, THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

WATSON—August 12th, at Baroda, the wife of Major J. W. Watson, Acting Political Agent, Rewa Kanta, of a daughter.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

BROWN—August 11th, at Trichinopoly, the wife of the Rev. Richard Brown, of a daughter.
JOHNS—August 11th, at Agra, the wife of Assistant Surgeon S. P. Johns, of the Agra Medical School, of a son.

DEATH.

GLOVER.—August 10th, at Galle, Frederick Augusta Barnard Glover, of the Bengal Civil Service, Judge of the High Court, Calcutta.

All MONEY ORDERS, CHEQUES, and other Remittances sent to this office, should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

The Bombay Gazette

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 1876.

THE great criminal mystery of the year at home, commonly known as the "Bravo case," still remains, after the conclusion of the second searching inquiry, almost as far from a satisfactory solution as before. That Mr. Bravo was poisoned there can be no doubt, and it has now been pretty clearly established that his death was not caused by his own hand ; but the discovery and punishment of the actual perpetrator of the crime are apparently as far from accomplishment as ever. Suspicions are abundant, but there is no positive proof against any one or more persons. Perhaps the most damaging piece of evidence given in the whole inquiry is the admission of Mrs. Bravo that she was "intimate" with Dr. Gully when she was the wife of Captain Ricardo, who is alleged to have died suddenly, and whose remains, it is asserted, areabout to be exhumed with the object of discovering whether there are any traces of poisoning in them. Of course certain conclusions may be drawn from Mrs. Bravo's confession, especially when it is known that her paramour Dr. Gully was in the habit of visiting her frequently after her marriage with Mr. Bravo ; still, there are so many probabilities in life that there is only as much significance in Mrs. Bravo's confession as will tend to point suspicion at her and make her very uncomfortable for the rest of her life. The deceased's own statement to the medical gentlemen who were in attendance upon him before his death, as accounting for his condition, is proved to be utterly valueless. He told Sir William Gully that he had poisoned himself with laudanum, and when questioned on the point, added that he had not taken any other poison than laudanum ; but it has been clearly established that his death was caused not by laudanum at all but by tartar emetic. That a man who had voluntarily taken a dose of tartar emetic with a view to killing himself should, when solemnly warned that he was at the point of death, and yet, while retaining full possession of his senses, affirm that he had taken laudanum, is highly improbable. It may be that Mr. Bravo, divining that he had been poisoned, and believing the act to have been committed by some one whom he desired to screen from the consequences, had generously determined to attempt to ward off suspicion, and, not knowing the nature of the drug that had been administered to him, hazarded a guess at laudanum as being as likely to cause death as anything else. But as there are grave doubts in the case, Mrs. Bravo should have all the benefit of them, and it is improbable that criminal proceedings will be carried further unless anything were to transpire from the proposed examination of Captain Ricardo's remains. As yet, the most minute investigation has been held, and the only clear fact that has been, or, apparently, can be established regarding the deceased's sudden and mysterious death is that it was caused by a strong dose of tartar emetic ; everything else rests upon vague suspicion. As to how, when, where, or by whom the poison was administered, there is not a little of evidence.

WE publish elsewhere this morning the prospectus of the Poona Horse and Cattle Show for the year 1876. We regret to notice that classes one to five for stallions have not been left out of the programme, and that the large sum of public money, Rs. 1,900, now advertised for distribution in these five classes was not laid out to some better purpose. We pointed out last year, in our articles on Horse-breeding, that so long as rich prizes were given annually in large numbers at the various race meetings there could be no dearth of stallions, and that giving away large sums of public money with the view of encouraging owners of horses suited for the stud was a misapplication of money which might be laid out to much greater advantage elsewhere. It is manifest if rich purses, ranging in value from Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000, will not produce the necessary number of stallions, that paltry sums of Rs. 250, 150, and 50 as first, second, and third prizes at a horse show are not likely to prove more successful. But these individually small sums of money which the Committee now advertise for the stallion classes amount, when added together, to a good round sum which would be sufficient to rejoice the hearts of many koonbees who now annually bemoan their fate as they return empty-handed from the Horse Fair at which they have put in an unwilling attendance. In countries where horse-breeding has arrived at a more advanced stage than is now the case in India, it may, no doubt, be judicious to offer even rich prizes for the best stallions shown ; but the problem we have to deal with in India at the present moment is not the production of good sires, but to induce natives to breed and to put their mares to the Government horses. In order to do this, Government has already taken upon itself the duty of providing a large number of stallions which are maintained at the public expense, and whose services are given to the breeder gratis ; and any extra money which they may have to spare should be devoted to offering inducements to poor owners to keep and to feed their young stock instead of selling them into native States, *as they do at present when they are only a few months old*. So long as the Government Treasury is full of rupees, there need be no fear that we cannot get stallions. They are to be had in abundance amongst the Arabs now running on the Turf, and in the thoroughbred stock in Australia and England ; all that is required is the cheque to pay for them. Should that fail, it is not likely that a Rs. 250 prize at a horse show would induce the breeders in foreign countries to export their horses. It would be interesting to know how many stallions the Government have picked up at the various annual Horse Shows held at Poona since the year 1872, *which they could not have picked up otherwise*. In the four years alluded to probably seven or eight thousand rupees have been advertised in prizes

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—AUGUST 12.

Skinner, Captain, Bengal 3rd Regt N I, on leave, from Dinapore.

AUGUST 13.

Hobart, Lieut, Bombay 66th Regt, to appear before a Medl Board from Poona.
Joynt, Surg, Bombay A M D., on leave, from Poona.

DEPARTURES.—AUGUST 14.

Warden, Col, Bombay Staff Corps, on duty, to Ahmedabad.
Sartorius, Captain, Bombay Dy Asst Qr Mr Generel, on leave, to Poona.

PUNJAB GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(*Punjab Government Gazette*, August 10.)

Mr. A. R. Shaw, Collr of Customs, Mooltan, from the 3rd to the 2nd rade, on the effect from the 1st July 1876, vice Mr. E. Hickie, deceased.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Mr. G. Hughes, Asst Comr, from the Umballa to the Kangra Dist.

Mr. G. J. Ryall, Judge Small Cause Court, Lahore, is appointed Registrar of Joint-Stock Companies in the Punjab, with effect from the forenoon of the 7th Aug 1876.

Mr. S. Jaf. T. Clifford, Dep[illegible] Registrar, Chief Court, Punjab, [illegible] with effect from the forenoon of the 7th Aug 1876.

Mr. M. Macauliffe, Offg Depy Comsr, Montgomery, has obtained privilege leave of absence for two months and thirteen days, with effect from the forenoon of the 31st July 1876.

Mr. A. H. Benton, Offg Judicial Asst, Amritsar, is appointed to officiate as Depy Comsr of Montgomery during the absence of Mr. M. Macauliffe.

Lt-Col H. V. Riddell, Asst Comsr, is, on return from furlough, posted to the Amritsar Dist as a temporary arrangement.

The following Civil Surgeons, Chaplain of Bareilly, whose services have been placed temporarily at the disposal of the Govt of the Punjab by the Govt of the N W Provinces, is appointed Chaplain to the troops stationed at Kuhlunnah, Khyragarh and Chunargarh for the months of Aug and Sept, with effect from the 1st Aug 1876, or such subsequent date as he may assume charge of his duties.

Mr. Sydney Smith, Offg Supt of Police, Rohtak, has obtained privilege leave of absence for ninety-two days.

Mr. G. A. St. B. Browne, Asst Dist Supt of Police, Lahore, to officiate as Dist Supt of Police, Rohtak, vice Mr. Smith, or until further orders.

CENTRAL PROVINCES ORDERS.

(*Central Provinces' Gazette*, August 12.)

Three months' privilege leave of absence is granted to Capt M M Bowie, Offg Depy Comr, Sambalpur, under date 1st Chanda, from the 17th June last, or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Mr F W Fox, C S, Asst Comr, transferred to Wardha, is reported his arrival at that station and assumed charge of his duties, on the 4th inst before noon.

Maj C H Grace, Depy Comr, Narsinghpur, availed himself of the three months' privilege leave granted to him by Notification No 2, dated 30th June last, on making over charge of the Narsinghpur Dist to Mr T E Ellison, C S, Offg Depy Comr, on the 2nd inst, after noon.

The following order issued by the Officer Comdg Saugor, under date the 12th July 1876, is confirmed by the Chief Comr :—

After consultation with the Senior Medical Officers of both services, the Officer Comdg the Station is pleased to appoint Surg-Maj M D'Cornell, F-11 R A, that Officer being qualified in the Native Hospital Rules, to the medical charge of the Lock Hospital, with effect from the 6th April 1876, vice Surgn-Maj R Batho, who proceeded on leave on that date, and has been since transferred from F-11 R A, to the Allahabad Circle.

Mr F W Fox, C S, Asst Comr, Narsipur, made over charge of his duties, on the 1st inst, before noon.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Mr J H Wilson, Ex Engr, 1st grade, P W Dept, Central Provinces, availed himself of the one month's privilege of absence granted him in "Central Provinces' Gazette" No. 89, dated 11th July 1876, on the 28th idem.

Mr. W. K. Stent, Temporary Asst Engr, 1st rade, attached to the Nagpur and Chhattisgarh Railway Division, availed himself on the forenoon of the 7th current, of the three months' special leave to study native languages granted him in "Central Provinces' Gazette" Notification No 69, dated 10th June 1876.

Mr. E. Perry, Asst Engr, 2nd grade, P W Dept, Central Provinces, has passed the examination in Hindustani for the first or Lower Standard, as required by chapter 2, Sec 4, page 48, of the P W Dept Code.

Mr J Hornby, Extra-Asst Comr, received charge of the offices of Registrar and Sub-Registrar, Balaghat Dist, from Mr H F Bartlett, C S, Asst Comsr, on the afternoon of the 24th July 1876.

Mr A U Fanshawe, C S, Asst Comr, received charge of the Nagpur District Treasury, on the forenoon of the 1st inst.

Mr F W Fox, C S, Asst Comr, is appointed Secretary of the Wardha Dist Fund Committee.

HIGH COURT.—15TH AUGUST.

(Before the Honorable SIR CHARLES SARGENT.)

LONG CAUSES.

286-76—Tyabjee and Sayani—Mahomed Rowjee vs Cumulsey Premjee—Shapoorjee and Thacurdass.
294-76—Tyabjee and Sayani—Sonibai Gordhurjee Dhanroopjee vs Mussoomall Ramdoo—Lynch and Tobin.
648-75—Shamdoo Pursoo[illegible]—Feo Bahadoor Madon S vs Munseeh Roghoonath and another—P Kavasjee.
480-75—Mc[illegible]ane and Skipsey—Moorjee Topun and others vs Sodha Valjee Nathoo Appa and others—Lynch and Tobin.
622-75—Prescot and Winter—Hajee Oomer Jan Mahomed vs Alfred Charles Cook—retd.
61-76—Craigie, Lynch and Owen—Nusserwanjee Manockjee Petit vs Hajee Currim Mahomed—In person.
83-76—Tyabjee and Sayani—Gooculdass Jugmohundass vs Ladcorebai, widow.

(Before the Honourable MR. JUSTICE BAYLEY.)

LONG CAUSE.

39-76—Mr Smale—Jetha Amerchund and others vs Ebrahim Moosajee—M H Khan.

(Before the Honourable MR. JUSTICE GREEN and two Assessors MR. ORMISTON and MR. GOWLING.)

Mr Hearn—In the matter of the Land Acquisition Act X of 1870, and in the matter of Government and Reverend Peter Fernandes and others—Janardhun and Ghandibhoy, Mr Macauliffe—Part heard.

Mr Hearn—In the matter of the Land Acquisition Act X 1870, and in the matter of Government and Moolchund Ruttonsey and another—Bicknell for Claimants.

(Before the Honourable MR. JUSTICE PINHEY.)

SHORT CAUSES.

504-75—Shapoorjee and Thacurdas—The National S and W Co Ld vs Ballabhoy Vizhhoocandass.
178-76—Lynch and Tobin—The L B and M Bank Ld vs Bomonjee Hormusjee.
258-76—P Kavasjee—Dadabhoy Pallonjee and another vs Fakeer Saheb Sekh Ahmad &c, and another.
296-76—Shapoorjee and Thacurdas—Lukhudass Khimjee and others vs Boopoobhoy Visram and another—Fletcher and Smith.
367-76—Janardhan and Ghandibhoy—Murarjee Topan and others vs Herjee Shamjee and others.
383-76—Rimington, Hore and Langley—Toolseejee Dhunjee vs Gopalrao Moonshi and others.
387-76—Muljee and Bomonjee—Bhugwandass Bhawanbhoy vs Jugjeevan Remjee.
392-76—Craigie, Lynch and Owen—George Foggo and others vs Fazallah Cassumbhoy N.
393-76—Craigie, Lynch and Owen—Edward Johnston and others vs Abdoola Hasum Jairazbhoy Poonjabhoy.
396-76—Hearn and Cleveland—The Trustees of the Port of Bombay vs The Imperial Cotton Press Co.
399-76—Rimington, Hore and Langley—Henry Arthur Tenner vs Verjee Purshotum.

For Investigation under section 305 of Act VIII of 1859.

Shapurjee Shorabjee vs Awabai, widow, and others.

LONG CAUSES.

338-75—Lynch and Tobin—The Land Mortgage Bank vs Atmaram Madhowjee and others—Balkrishna and B—Part heard
571-75—Mr Fletcher—Sondrabai, widow vs Veera Ooka—Ambjee and Sayani.
570-75—Mr Fraser—Ramnath Chintoba vs Veera Ooka—Tyabjee and Sayani.
150-76—Rimington, Hore and Langley—Arut Kirpall vs Dayal Dhunjee—Janardhun and Ghandibhoy.
276-76—Rimington, Hore and Langley—Sumsoodeen Scoltanally and another vs Rahibhoy Alladinbhoy—Crawford and Boevey.
82-76—Rimington, Hore and Langley—Daya Sunda and others vs Sarabai, widow, and others—Crawford and B.
330-76—M M Munshi—Vithuldass Sunkerdass Vanabhai Lalloobhai,—Settled.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE CHARGE FOR INSERTING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES, THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

WATSON—August 12th, at Baroda, the wife of Major J. W. Watson, Acting Political Agent, Rewa Kanta, of a daughter.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

BROWN—August 11th, at Trichinopoly, the wife of the Rev. Richard Brown, of a daughter.
JOHNS—August 11th, at Agra, the wife of Assistant Surgeon S. P. Johns, of the Agra Medical School, of a son.

DEATH.

GLOVER.—August 10th, at Galle, Frederick Augusta Barnard Glover, of the Bengal Civil Service, Judge of the High Court, Calcutta.

All MONEY ORDERS, CHEQUES, and other Remittances sent to this office, should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

FINANCE, THE ACCOUNT DEPARTMENT, THE CIVIL SERVICE, AND THE MERCHANTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—In Lieut.-General Strachey's Minute of the 10th June last, printed in your edition of Saturday, the present critical state of Indian Finance and the absolute necessity for more intelligent direction are clearly pointed out in the following words :—"At no time in the history of India have the questions to be dealt with been more difficult or required more caution. How best to meet the evergrowing demands for improved administration, for more complete and extended material aid to agriculture, industry, and commerce, with relief from objectionable forms of taxation, and without causing undue or unsuitable burdens on the country, is a problem which has long been felt to be increasingly difficult of solution, and the events of the present year, the great depression of trade and the disturbance of the exchanges, have still further added to its complexity. Unfortunately the public service of India, from its constitution, has necessarily been at a great disadvantage in dealing with all this class of subjects. Formed as it is of a body wholly cut off from all direct participation in commercial or industrial pursuits, the administration has never had the advantage, possessed by most civilized countries, of counting among its members persons having experience derived from the practical exercise of such pursuits, excepting in the Financial Members of Council appointed from England. Nor is the organization of the financial branch of the service such as to tend towards any special development of the knowledge or taste required for success in dealing with these subjects. The whole of the subordinate posts, outside of which the requisite knowledge of details can only be properly acquired, are filled by Uncovenanted Servants or natives of India, and the Civil Servants selected from time to time to fill the highest financial posts are taken from the ordinary administrative class, which is employed on executive duties of a totally different nature, affording none of the training presumably to be desired in officers filling such situations." General Strachey might have added that the evil effect at the top is caused by the policy of the Supreme Government. An Act of Parliament distinctly provides that the higher posts in the Account Department shall be held by the Civil Service. But the Government has evaded this obligation by altering the names of the offices, and has rejected the men selected by competition in favour of young Europeans and natives selected in India before they have acquired any commercial or financial experience.

No man will deny the truth of General Strachey's remarks. When financial difficulty occurs, it is met by the policy of retrenchment, not by developing the resources of the land. We all remember the rage of the European officials when Lord Mayo reduced their salaries by repeated increases of the Income Tax. We are aware of virulent disputes with the services about the pensions of widows and children. We have seen the Government vanquished in the suit of David Jolly, the pilot, who fought for the interests of the Bombay Pilot Fund. We have seen extensive Public Works stopped on the occurrence of a deficit. The Rajpootana Railway is still an idea and not likely to be a fact ; and a large section of the public have become alarmed at the evident preference in some high quarters of Protection to Free Trade. Petty economy has been enforced in individual cases ; the iron has entered into the soul of many a man whose pay abstracts have been retrenched ; and while administrative officers, the best judges of the utility of small expenditures, have been deprived of all power to expend, the Account Department is rapidly becoming the most complicated of all financial bodies, by means of certificates, signatures, and other checks on expenditure.

On the other hand, these administrative officers have seen enormous expenditure incurred with little reference to sound financial considerations. The Staff Corps system has made the Indian Army the most costly in the world ; at the same time injuring its efficiency by its dispensing with subalterns and multiplication of field officers. The Public Works expenditure, it was lately admitted at Simla, was practically unconstrolled. A remedy was found in appointing a Member of Council on a large salary, in addition to the existing officers of account[illegible] The[illegible]ance of the Old Bank of Bombay will long remain as an instance of the ease with which so simple a trade as banking may, in bad hands, become a disaster to all concerned.

Both the evils of wrong economy and bad expenditure are likely to increase unless a decided alteration is made in the Account Department. As General Strachey points out, the increasing difficulty of the problem requires more intellect to grapple with it ; the capacity of a Goschen is not likely to be attained in the clerk-like training of the Accountant General's Office. The function of Audit can scarcely be included under the term Finance. The clerks and assistants are, as a rule, men who have not spent their time among either the agricultural people of the Mofussil or the trading people of the big towns and ports ; and they are neither by intellectual training nor mercantile experience fitted for sympathy with or feasible aid to the men whose pecuniary interest depends on the development of resources, the increase of good investments, and the rapid turning over of capital. Nor are they the sort of men whom Chancellors of Exchequers consult. In the Civil Service there is no difficulty in finding men well enough educated, and on many points, more especially relating to inland trade, well enough acquainted with the wants of money-making men. But it is unfortunately true that they have no practical experience of commerce. They are all covenanted not to trade ; and since the service has become aristocratic, their sympathies with trade are fewer than they once were. The dearer cost of living and the increasing habit of marriage leave them with less money to invest ; they have therefore less personal interest in those important details which mean loss or gain to mercantile men. In the days of the East India Company, the income of the Civil Service long depended more on their trading shrewdness than on their miserable salaries. From want of private capital they were often unsuccessful. Of seventy-five Bombay Civil Servants in the last half of last century, twenty-five died bankrupt ; but eight realized fortunes. Governor Bourchier, who was nine years Governor, died insolvent from losses in trade. Governor Crommelin, after being seven years Governor and after retiring, lost so much that he had to set up in Canton as a free merchant. Several made large fortunes as super-cargoes. Others had the monopoly of trade at Surat. In those days the rupee was worth half a crown, and they got 10 per cent. interest on Government loans in 1806. Although in 1804 their private trading was stopped, they were allowed to enter Bombay firms if they chose, with the option of returning to their official line when they liked ; and most of them preferred the mercantile career. This system was not entirely abolished until

LATEST INTELLIGENCE

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE MINISTRY.

LONDON, 14TH AUGUST.

The Earl of Beaconsfield succeeds the Earl of Malmesbury in the Ministry as Lord Privy Seal.

SLAVE CIRCULAR.

A Foreign Office Slave Circular has just been issued, ordering that the reception of fugitive slaves should be guided everywhere by humanity, care to be taken to avoid breaches of international comity.

RETURN OF PRINCE MILAN TO BELGRADE.

BELGRADE, 14TH AUGUST.

Prince Milan has returned here from the seat of war.

LONDON, 12TH AUGUST.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed very firm. Sureats very firm.

The London Cotton Market has been firm.

Fair Dhollera	4½d.
Exchange on India	⅛
4 per cent. Rupee Paper	83
4½ do. do.	83½
5½ do. do.	87
Oriental Bank Shares	£43
Chartered do. do.	£15
Do. Mercantile	£24-10
Hongkong and Shanghai	£26
3 per cent. Consols for account	96½.
5 per cent. French Rente, 1872	106½
Bar Silver	52½.
Total Coin in the Bank of France	£83,750,000.
„ Notes in circulation	£98,000,000.

Arrivals.—Paladin and Amaryllis.

Departure.—Scio.

LINE REPORTS.—14TH AUGUST.

Cable right to Fao. Turkish line right to Pera. Persian line right to London.

STEAMER REPORTS.

GALLE, 14TH AUG., 12-30 P.M.

H. M.'s Rifleman, from Bombay, arrived.

WEATHER REPORTS.—14TH AUGUST.

(MADRAS TIME.)

CANNANORE, 5-15 P.M.—Weather fine, wind S. N. S.W., thermometer 83, barometer 29·84.

CARWAR, 5 P.M.—Weather showery, wind S. W. 5, thermometer 82, barometer 29·97. Fall of rain 19 cents.

MANGALORE, 11 A.M.—Weather rainy, wind N. W., N. W., thermometer max. 80, min. 77. Fall of rain 45 cents.

TUTICORIN, 5 P.M.—Weather fair, wind S., thermometer 86, barometer 29·84.

BENGOOLA, 5 P.M.—Weather cloudy, wind S. W. by S., thermometer 87. Fall of rain 22 cents.

As was to be expected, our remarks upon the attitude taken by the native press upon Lord Lytton's minute has roused a great deal of impotent rage among the vernacular newspapers of this Presidency. We consider ourselves complimented when we are abused by these organs of native opinion. Why, one of them, according to a report which has appeared in the sympathising columns of a contemporary, actually proposes that a public meeting of Englishmen should be called to approve of Lord Lytton's Fuller minute and condemn the Magistrate and High Court of Allahabad for not convicting Mr. Fuller of murder! Considering the plain equities of the case, could impudence go further? *Native Opinion*, whose charitable desire to see poor Mr. Hall hung we brought to notice, repeats its scandalous remarks upon the conduct of the judge and jury in that case, and pathetically says that it does not take pleasure in seeing animals killed either for food or pleasure. What extreme delicacy of feeling! It is clear, however, that some of our amiable native friends draw a broad line between precept and example. We repeat, when we see the uncharitable feeling which has been created against Englishmen in consequence of Lord Lytton's minute, that he has much to answer for; and he ought to be heartily ashamed of an outburst of sentiment which has raised so much bad blood in consequence of the unscrupulous and envenomed conduct of the native press.

We daresay some surprise was felt at a telegram which our Madras correspondent sent us on Friday last, stating that the Judge at the Criminal Sessions had sentenced a native to transportation for life for stealing four annas. A correspondent, "An Englishman," yesterday wrote to a contemporary and expressed his opinion that the telegram could not be correct. We find, however, in one of the Madras papers just to hand a report of the proceedings in the Criminal Sessions on Thursday, and the terms of that report leave little doubt about the substantial accuracy of our telegram. A man named Moonean, who had been found guilty of stealing four annas, was brought up before Mr. Justice Kernan to be sentenced. According to the report, His Lordship had found that Moonean had been before him in 1871, when he pleaded guilty to two previous convictions. When sentencing the man in 1871 the Judge had thought of transporting him for life, but hoping that he might mend he had altered his intention and sentenced him to five years' rigorous imprisonment. That term of imprisonment expired in February last, and Moonean at once resumed his old thieving operations. Under the circumstances His Lordship thought that as it would be hopeless to expect reformation from the incorrigible Moonean, it was necessary to make an example of him; and therefore, for the protection of the public, and *pour encourager les autres*, the sentence of the Court was that Moonean be transported for life. So after all, our correspondent's telegram that a native had been sentenced to life-long imprisonment for thieving four annas, was correct, and although he might have telegraphed that the prisoner had been frequently convicted previously, the statement would not have altered the fact. Mr. Justice Kernan is considered one of the ablest men on the Madras Bench, and if he did sentence Moonean to transportation for life for stealing a quarter of a rupee, the public may rest assured that he felt he had very good grounds for doing so. It is a singular coincidence that the vernacular paper, *Native Opinion*, in its last Sunday's issue, called attention to this telegram of ours in order to buttress one of its assertions against us, and that on the day following "An Englishman" appears in the *Times of India* with a virtuous protest against the telegram and also against ourselves for publishing it. We may mention that the inexorable press telegram rules leave an Indian editor little or no discretion in the matter of publishing telegrams which have been sent to him at press rates, and even though we had felt inclined to doubt the veracity of our Madras correspondent, we could only have declined to publish his telegram at the risk of undergoing a certain pecuniary penalty and entering into a correspondence with some busybody of an official as to why we had done so. We think that Lord Lytton might advantageously alter the present press telegrams' rules so far as to permit a newspaper editor to decline to publish a telegram if for public reasons he does not approve of its publication.

In the suit brought in the High Court against Colonel Moyle by Lieut.-Colonel Lester and Mr. Bodger, trustees for Mrs. Moyle, to recover the amount of arrears due by defendant on account of a monthly allowance of Rs. 90 for his wife's separate use and a monthly subscription of Rs. 34-8 which he covenanted to pay to the military fund in order to provide a pension for her in the event of his predeceasing her, judgment was given by Sir Charles Sargent yesterday. His Lordship held that the defendant was clearly liable to pay Rs. 90 per month for his wife's separate use out of the pension of £432 per annum which he at present receives from Government. As to the subscription to the military fund, his Lordship held it was a simple covenant on the part of the defendant personally, which created no lien upon his pension. He was therefore adjudged to be personally liable for the amount of the arrears of subscription to the military fund. A decree was given for the plaintiffs for Rs. 1,182, the amount of the arrears of the monthly allowance as well as of the subscription, with costs and interest at 6 per cent. on the judgment.

MR. JUSTICE GREEN delivered judgment yesterday in the case of Arthur George Latham and others *vs.* the Coconada Press Company, in which the plaintiffs sought to recover various sums alleged to be due to them as Secretaries and Treasurers of the Company, for work done, for goods sold and delivered, for money lent and paid, and for interest on the amounts disbursed in their behalf. The judgment was in favour of the plaintiff, but the exact amount of the decree it is not easy to ascertain, it being a matter of somewhat intricate calculation. His Lordship's judgment was for several sums, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 47,132-12-1 with varying interest, and from which must be deducted Rs. 8,178-9-10, already in the hands of the plaintiff, with interest at 4 per cent. from August 1874 to January 1875, and at 9 per cent. from January 1875 till the date of the judgment.

We wonder what the present Government of Bombay *is* doing. Apparently even the lightest affairs cannot be disposed of by it within a reasonable time. Here have these miserable women Dinbaee and Savitree been lying in jail for three weeks since the capital sentence passed upon them by the Sessions Judge at Tanna was appealed against in the High Court, and since the Judges sustained the appeal and recommended the women to the mercy of Government. Yet up to this time, although erroneous rumours have been plentiful, the Governor has not made up his mind to tell them their fate. It should not be forgotten that incompetence may among other things be the cause of inflicting great cruelty.

ANY contribution towards the solution of the exchange difficulties that daily trouble so many people must be regarded with favour, and so the publication of "The Sterling Exchange Calculator" will be found a useful book to have, as it shows variations in the rates of exchange down to the 32nd of a penny and from 1s. 6d. to 2s. The author, Mr. Shunker Damodherjee, who has been in the Bombay Branch of the Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris for some years, commences his calculations at 1s. 6d., a figure so low that doubtless he supposed exchange would never fall lower than that, but at the beginning of July the rates were a little below that figure, but they have happily been rising ever since and may rise still higher. This "Calculator" is not the first effort Mr. Shunker Damodhurjee has made in calculating rates of exchange; he has also published "The French Rente Calculator," "The French Exchange Calculator," and "The Equivalents of Sterling in French Rates," all of which books have been well received and have been found useful additions to the counting house or office, and all have been carefully compiled.

THE s. s. Dagmar which left Bombay a few days ago in search of the wreck of the ship Monarch returned to Bombay yesterday, but without obtaining any information as to the wreck, or the captain, officers and crew. The opinion entertained is that the Monarch must have been wrecked about 50 miles from Bombay, as the pieces of timber that floated out of her were found at Hurnee, the hull of the ship having drifted down to the distance of more than 100 miles. We regret to learn that but slight hopes are entertained as to the safety of the captain or any of the crew.

IT is believed that it cost the Burmese Government about Rs. 70,000 for the hire of the steamer Colonel Fytche and two flats of the Irrawaddy Flotilla Company to escort the Yunan Mission to Bhamo and back to Rangoon.

THE *Punjab Courier* learns that the Nawab of Loharee has applied to the Punjab Government for the restoration of seven guns which were confiscated during the mutiny. Two of these guns were presented by Lord Lake to his grandfather. His application has been forwarded to the Government of India with a recommendation that two 12-pounder guns be issued to him from the Ferozepore arsenal.

ANOTHER instance of pulpit plagiarism in Madras has been brought to notice. But, says the *Madras Mail*, what we call plagiarism or literary theft, may possibly be nothing more serious, from the offender's elevated point of view, than an "undesigned coincidence." It is evident, however, that some of the published sermons by distinguished preachers in England are read, not only by reverend annexationists, but also by other clergy and by laymen in Madras.

THE new daily paper at Lahore, the *Punjab Courier*, reports that a serious defalcation of some Rs. 14,000 has occurred in the Forest Department of this Province, the culprit being a forest-ranger. He was tried and sentenced by the Deputy Commissioner of the district to five years' rigorous imprisonment. But the Government did not spare the Officiating Deputy Conservator of Forests, nor the Deputy Conservator of that division in its censure. The Assistant Conservator, under whose orders the forest ranger was, has been degraded from the 2nd to the 3rd grade.

THE following atrocious act is reported by a special telegram from Raneegunge to the Calcutta *Daily News* to have been perpetrated on the night of the 11th instant:—"What might have been a fearful accident to the down mail train of the E. I. Railway has been averted. A rail was taken out of the line near the old Assensole Station, with the intent to throw the down mail train of this date off the road. A down light engine, which preceded the mail train, ran off. By the driver's promptitude, information was sent to Assensole, and the down mail was despatched safely on the up line to Raneegunge. Credit is due to the driver of the light engine."

FROM the accounts of the trade and navigation of British India for the first quarter of the current financial year, we see that, as compared with the same period of 1875, the total value of imports was Rs. 8,83,45,720, as against Rs. 9,14,01,191 and the total value of exports Rs. 17,44,23,395, as against Rs. 18,54,29,884. The value of treasure imported was Rs. 2,57,46,374 as against Rs. 1,22,16,693, and of that exported Rs. 73,87,197, as against Rs. 23,50,276. The amount of import duty collected was Rs. 89,57,739, as against Rs. 94,32,099, and of export duty Rs. 15,15,296, as against Rs. 26,20,830. These together show a falling off in the customs collections of Rs. 15,79,895.

COMPARING the results of the districts for which complete returns have been received, the total deaths registered in the Punjab for the week ending 15th July were 5,367 against 5,574 in the previous week. Three hundred and sixty-six deaths were registered under the head of cholera against 93 in the previous week. It is satisfactory to note that, notwithstanding the prevalence of cholera in some parts of the district, the health of the Province continues satisfactory, as shown by the death-rates. From small pox 215 deaths were registered against 274 in the previous week. The disease seems steadily declining in the city of Umritsur. In the 49 large municipal towns, 580 deaths were registered, *i. e.*, 301 male and 279 female, giving a death-rate of 24 per mille of population; 762 births, *i. e.*, 404 male and 358 female, giving a birth-rate of 31 per mille of population, were registered.

THE Government of India have lately sanctioned a separate marine establishment, in connection with the account branch of the office of the Controller of Military Accounts, at a cost of about Rs. 5,000 per annum. For the last seven or eight years, there has been no separate establishment for the purpose of keeping the marine accounts, the duty being done by the Controller's Account Office. If we remember rightly, says the *Indian Daily News*, the India Marine was formerly in the Military, but in 1864 it was transferred to the Civil Department, at the suggestion of Messrs. Foster and Wiffin, who came out from England as Commissioners to enquire into the system of public accounts in this country. Again, in 1869, it was transferred from the Civil to the Military Department where it still remains, and will continue to do so, when Captain Bythesea's scheme comes into operation, until the next stroke of the bat transfers it to the Agricultural Department.

THE Board of Directors of the East Indian Railway Company have dealt generously in the case of two of its officers, the best portion of whose lives were devoted with untiring energy and zeal to the promotion of the interests of the Company, both in India and in England. A sum of Rs. 40,000 has been voted to the family of the late Mr. Cecil Stephenson for faithful services rendered to the company, extending over a period of twenty years in different capacities, and latterly as Agent, whose career, prematurely closed from an accident in this city, is yet fresh in the remembrance of many. The recipient of the larger donation, Rs. 80,000, is Mr. D. J. Noad, Secretary and Manager of the Company in London, from its very formation, extending over a period of thirty years, and who has been compelled to resign his duties owing to continued ill-health. By latest accounts we also hear that Mr. George Sibley, late Chief Engineer of the Company in India, has received a gratuity of Rs. 22,000 on retirement, as a mark of appreciation for services rendered.

THE *Pioneer* publishes the following statements which are very confidently put forward and are said to have emanated from the India House in London:—"The order has gone forth from the Secretary of State to the different Indian presidencies, directing that for the future native covenanted civil servants are to have exactly the same appointments given them as if they Europeans, and that if their position demands it, they are to have European assistants under them, just the same as if they were themselves Englishmen. In fact, no difference whatever is to be made between them and their European colleagues. The order, which is most peremptory, will no doubt be exceedingly unpopular in India, but it will have to be carried out into effect. A large majority of the India Council was against it being issued, but the Marquis of Salisbury was determined to carry his point, and has issued a minute or letter to the Viceroy on the subject in which it is stated in so many words, that any European civil servant who declines to serve under a native superior merely because the latter *is* a native, must at once be shelved, and reported to the Home Government as guilty of disobedience of orders."

WE quote the following from the Calcutta *Statesman*:—"The proposal that the Government should relieve the cultivation of Northern India in times of abundant harvest, by shipping two, three, or four hundred thousand tons of the surplus to England in part payment of the Home Charges, has greatly exercised the spirit of the *Times of India*.

What if one or two gentlemen in authority blundered! What if contracts were miscalculated: if there was a famine here, a big harvest in England involving plethora of cereals there; if some gigantic war broke over the world, or one of those terrible periodical panics swept across it? And without any individual being much to blame, the whole gigantic fabric of trade came to utter grief? Would the Government of India be prepared to go into liquidation, and come out whitewashed into something more than its old assurance? The thing is manifestly absurd.

As Dominie Sampson says—Pro-di-gi-ous! The whole gigantic fabric coming down in the midst of some gigantic war with crash and smoke, blackening the heavens, and making the poor Government so dirty, that we should have positively to whitewash it. England too, suffering from a plethora of cereals. It is all too harrowing! But this is not all:

If under certain circumstances the Government, as a Government, may export corn to England, under certain other circumstances they may import bottled beer into India, and the Anglo-Indian race would be "a nation of shopkeepers" with a vengeance.

The whole force of this just and indignant remonstrance lies, as we presume the reader sees, in the word 'bottled.' We may tolerate the Government going in for 'beer in wood' on a pretty extensive scale, but imagine the degradation of its stooping to 'bottled' beer—Never!"

WITH respect to the return of their licenses to several of the missionaries of the Church Missionary Society, at the request of the Bishop of Madras who is now acting Metropolitan of India, and which we announced in a special telegram yesterday, we read in a Madras paper that Bishop Gell, in his capacity of Officiating Metropolitan of India and Ceylon, has not only expressed his strong disapproval of the measure taken by Bishop Coplestone in inhibiting all but one of the Church Missionary Society's clergymen in Ceylon, but has also counselled the return to those ministers of their licenses; and the youthful Bishop of Colombo has not added to his other indiscretions by resisting the lawful authority of the Bishop of Madras. But "the youthful Bishop" seems to have only partly complied with the wishes of his superior, having refused to give up two of the licenses. Writing about the letter which the Bishop of Bombay sent to his clergy on the subject a Calcutta paper says:—"This is a very delicate way of trying to support his brother in the episcopate, but the whole movement resolves itself into the old struggle for power which has been the besetting sin of the Church from time immemorial. It is an assertion once more in the direction of the absolute on the part of the Bishop on behalf of the 'Church,' not without a suspicion that the old Adam in the man, the lust of power and authority may really be the ruling motive. At any rate the claim obtains the sympathy of 'Bombay,' who wishes all under him to regard his utterances as 'to them' the voice of God, through him. They may not have the assurance that he is the chosen vessel to enable them to accept this position as readily as he desires; and it is clear that he would not object to enter into a solemn league and covenant with the other Bishops to assert the supremacy of the Church over the minds of the people. We believe it is too late in the day to carry into effect pretentions of this nature which are resisted alike by the comparatively ignorant Tamil coolies and the polished intellect and philosophy of modern Europe. The Church has made many mistakes in her time and many of her ministers have lamentably failed to realise the might of littleness and fewer still perhaps out of the Church of Rome have understood the wisdom and the duty of stooping to conquer."

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BOMBAY.

ERRATUM.—In a sub-editorial paragraph yesterday we stated that the Trentham Hall, which had made the rapid passage to Suez in the teeth of the South-West Monsoon, belonged to the Anchor Line. This was a mistake, as it belongs to the equally celebrated Hall Line.

A REFRACTORY SHAMAN.—Charles Hall, a seaman of the British ship Bessie H., was yesterday charged before Mr. Nana Morojee, at the Fort Police Court, with continued wilful disobedience in refusing to do duty on board that ship. The prisoner pleaded ill-health in his defence, on which he was ordered to be taken to the Police Surgeon for examination.

ROBBING CHILDREN OF THEIR ORNAMENTS.—A noted character, named Abdoola Sa'a Mahomed, was yesterday convicted by Mr. Nana Morojee, at the Fort Police Court, of two separate charges of theft from the persons of two different children, of property consisting of gold ornaments and wearing apparel, and was sentenced to a term of six months' hard labour in the House of Correction for each offence.

A REFUTED THIEF.—Yesterday, at the Girgaum Police Court, a Hindoo, named Dugroo Ranoo, a noted character, was convicted by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, of four separate charges of theft of property belonging to four different parties, and was sentenced to an accumulated term of two years' hard labour in the House of Correction, being an average of six months' rigorous imprisonment upon each charge.

THE CROWN *vs.* A. E. CAREY.—At the High Court yesterday, the Advocate General mentioned to Sir Charles Sargent, who is likely to preside at the next Criminal Sessions, that he had received from Kurrachee a telegram asking him to apply to the Court for *de bene esse* examination of certain witnesses there. They were men employed in the Electric Telegraph Office, their absence from which would stop all the work. The learned counsel had not had time to speak to the Public Prosecutor; and at his request, the matter was postponed until to-day.

THE WONDERFUL DUTIES OF AN EDITOR.—Unless a man is gifted with genius, he cannot produce week after week columns after columns of such useful matter as that which alone we can approve. To give news is the business of a reporter, but the business of an editor is noble; he has to produce thought, and therefore we must ask pardon of our friends for saying that to produce a thought is a painful process, and to express it in suitable language is by no means a pleasure-making. This we know, that it is a harder thing than money-making, and a paper that is conducted with perfect honesty, simplicity, and impartiality has some claims upon the forbearance of the public.—*Guzerat Mitra.*

DULL TRADE IN POONA.—We hear that this season is considered a very dull one by the shopkeepers in the bazaar, especially by those who are furniture dealers. People now go to hotels instead of taking houses, so that a great many houses are left vacant and no furniture is required for them. The decline in the value of silver and bad exchange get the credit for all the want of trade in Poona. Every one feels it and is obliged to curtail his expenditure in order to meet the large demands for rupees to purchase bills on England. We never saw trade at such a low ebb as it is just now. There are, however, some who benefit by this state of things. Those who are obliged on account of numbers and position to take houses find it much more easy to get them than it was four years ago. House rent has fallen very greatly, and will fall still lower if this state of things continue. Fewer people will be able to afford to take the change and consequently fewer shopkeepers will come up to Poona.—*Deccan Herald.*

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Three individuals travelling the other day from the other side of Sukkur to the latter place, trusted themselves to the strong current running at the time, and ventured to float across the river on inflated leather bags, which they attached to their stomachs; the bags burst, and two of the unfortunate men were drowned; one of them was happily rescued by a boatman who happened to come up opportunely for the drowning man, who was thus providentially saved from what appeared to be so imminent—a watery grave. The occurrence took place on the 2nd of the current month.—*Sind News*, Aug. 10.

FALL OF RAIN IN BOMBAY.

	Colaba. In. cts.	Byculla. In. cts.	Colaba In. cts.
Sunday, Aug. 13 (up to 6 a.m.)	0 09	0 15	0 06
Monday, „ 13 do	0 03	0 09	0 07
Previously registered	36 93	41 47	37 17
Total up to date	37 05	41 62	37 30

THE SUDDEN DEATH AT THE ESPLANADE HOTEL.

AN adjourned inquest was held yesterday by the Coroner, Dr. T. Blaney, into the circumstances connected with the death of William Henry Hayhurst, who was found dead in his bed at the Esplanade Hotel on Sunday morning last. The following is the evidence of the Coroner's Surgeon, Dr. Sidney Smith. He said—I am Surgeon to the Coroner and live at Mazagon. I have examined the body of the deceased. There were a few scratches over the face and chest, but no marks of violence on it. The eyes from decomposition were collapsed. I afterwards made a *post mortem* examination of the body. Decomposition was rapidly advancing. I found that the liver was enormously large and fatty, quite four times its natural size. The heart also was enormously large and fatty and six times its normal size; it contained an anti-mortem clot in the left ventricle. The stomach contained only about two ounces of fluid and did not smell of alcohol. There were no indications of any poisonous action on the mucous membrane of the stomach. On opening the head I found that there was no apoplectic appearances in the brain, but there was indication of softening having set in. From the *post mortem* appearances, I am of opinion that the immediate cause of death was heart disease.

Upon the evidence adduced the jury returned the following verdict:—"That the death of the deceased was caused by heart disease."

A NATIVE CASHIER IN TROUBLE.

DHONDOO NANA, the cashier of the firm of Messrs. Fletcher and Smith, solicitors, who neglected to attend that firm's office since he was called to account for certain deficits in his cash accounts last week, was yesterday arrested at Bassein, under a warrant issued by the Senior Magistrate, Mr. C. P. Cooper, on an information laid in chambers before that Magistrate last week by Mr. Fletcher, charging him with theft and criminal misappropriation of certain monies belonging to his employers. The prisoner was yesterday placed before Mr. Nana Morojee, at the Fort Police Court, who remanded prisoner to jail to this day, when he will be formally identified by the informant and the case against the prisoner will be proceeded with. At present the cash and account books of that firm are being examined, and the exact deficit will be probably ascertained.

Venkatrao, a bill collector of the same firm, was also arrested under a warrant and placed before Mr. Nana Morojee, charged also with criminal misappropriation in respect of a sum of Rs. 90 paid to accused by a native firm on behalf of Messrs. Fletcher and Smith, whereas the accused when called upon to account for the amount failed to do so satisfactorily. This prisoner was also remanded to jail after being identified, and the case was postponed for hearing to this day.

THE THEFT OF CURRENCY NOTES.

THIS case in which Bawa Dyapursad stands charged before Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, at the Girgaum Police Court, at the instance of Ragoonath Wassoodew, with the theft of three currency notes for Rs. 1,000 each, came before Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee yesterday.

The informant, Ragoonath Wassoodew, proceeded on Saturday last to the residence of Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, the Second Magistrate of Police, and the informant on his solemn affirmation further stated:—From information received by me I went to-day to the house of one Balajee Wishwanath in Hunooman Lane. The said Balajee Wishwanath gave me information in consequence of which I have reason to believe that one Poondlick Wittoba went to him, the said Balajee Wishwanath, with a note for Rs. 1,000 and asked him to keep it, and told the said Poondlick to keep it with one Ragoba Crustnajee, who was then present. The said Poondlick Wittoba thereupon handed the said note for Rs. 1,000 to the said Ragoba Crustnajee. In consequence of further information given to me by the said Balajee, I made enquiries at the French Bank, and I find that Ragoba Crustnajee paid into the Bank a currency note for Rs. 1,000, No. C/90 63120. This is the number of one of the notes stolen by the prisoner Dyapursad. From enquiries I made at the Bank, I also find that Ragoba Crustnajee has given a cheque of Rs. 1,000 to Poondlick Wittoba on the said Bank, which cheque was cashed by the said Poondlick, who has deposited Rs. 625 with Balajee Wishwanath.

Upon the foregoing information the accused Poondlick Wittoba was arrested under a warrant, and placed yesterday before Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, at the Girgaum Police Court, and charged with dishonestly receiving the stolen property in question.

Poondlick Wittoba was identified by Ragoonath Wassoodew as the person alluded to in his information. The prisoner Poondlick Wittoba reserved the cross-examination of the informant.

At this stage the case was adjourned to the 21st inst., to enable the Detective Police to institute further enquiries into the matter.

A MEETING OF INFLUENTIAL NATIVE COTTON MERCHANTS.

AN influential meeting of the principal native cotton merchants of Bombay was held on Saturday last at the office of Messrs. Nursey Kessowjee and Co., Elphinstone Circle, to take into consideration the rules recently framed by the Cotton Trade Association and for other purposes. Mr. Kessowjee Naik was called to the chair. The rules framed by the Committee of the English cotton merchants, at a meeting held at the office of the Chamber of commerce on the 2nd June, 1876, were read, and after some discussion, the following resolutions were passed unanimously:—

Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Vurdhman Poonsey and resolved, That a committee be appointed to take into consideration the rules framed by the Bombay Trade Association formed of the English merchants, and which to a certain extent are objectionable to the native merchants, and to make a proper *bundobust* regarding them.

Proposed by Mr. Heerjee Nagsey, seconded by Mr. Parbut Ludda and resolved, That the following gentlemen be appointed a committee, and they be requested to lay the result of their deliberations and the proceedings relating thereto before all the cotton merchants of Bombay at a meeting to be held for the purpose:—

Kessowjee Naik, Esq., Nursey Kessowjee, Esq., Hon'ble Rao Bahadur Becherdass Ambaidas, C.S.I., Madhowjee Dhurumsey, Esq., Vurdhman Poonsey, Esq., Ghellabhoy Padumsey, Esq., Heerjee Nagsey, Esq., Canjee Purbut, Esq., Dayabhoy Cullianjee, Esq., Sivlal Motilall, Esq., Jadowjee Razbowjee, Esq., Vulubhdas Valjee, Esq., Tricumjee Mooljee, Esq., Kessowjee Jadowjee, Esq., Bhowan Ramjee, Esq., Heerjee Jeens, Esq., Nuthoobhoy Soorchund, Esq., Goculdas Cullianjee, Esq., Korejee Mowjee, Esq., Vurjeewundass Vulubhdas, Esq., Manordas Hurruckchund, Esq., Munsookbhoy Bhugoobhoy, Esq., Kevul Trioum, Esq.

Proposed by Mr. Vurdhman Poonsey, seconded by Mr. Bhugwan Ramjee and resolved, That one quarter of an anna be paid for every candy of cotton received by the cotton merchants, and that a fund be established therefrom to defray the expenses to be incurred for carrying on the business of the aforesaid committee, and for engaging the services of competent persons for the same.

Proposed by Mr. Vurdhman Poonsey, seconded by Mr. Bhuvanjee Ramjee and resolved, That Sett Kessowjee Naik be appointed chairman of the committee, and he be authorised to arrange the necessary preliminaries before calling such committee.

Proposed by Mr. Dayabhoy Cullianjee, seconded by Mr. Heerjee Nagsey and resolved, That the best thanks of the meeting be tendered to the chairman for his able conduct in the chair.

The meeting then separated.

THE SUIT AGAINST COLONEL MOYLE.

THE suit brought against Colonel Moyle by Lieut. Colonel Lester and Mr. Bodger, the trustees of Mrs. Moyle, to recover arrears of the monthly allowance he had covenanted to make for his wife's separate use and of the subscription he had also promised to pay in order to enable his wife to participate in a pension from the military fund, was called on again yesterday before Sir Charles Sargent at the High Court. Mr. Kirkpatrick, instructed by Messrs. Jefferson and Payne, appeared for the plaintiffs; the defendant appeared in person.

On the last occasion, the learned judge had expressed an opinion that the plaintiffs were entitled to recover the arrears of the monthly allowance amounting to Rs. 630; but his Lordship had a doubt whether they could recover the amount of the arrears of subscription to the military fund, Rs. 553, out of the monthly pension which defendant received from Government, and his Lordship took time to consider the point.

Before his Lordship's decision was given yesterday, Mr. Kirkpatrick said he thought the Court had power to make an order that Colonel Moyle should pay the monthly subscription out of his pension; and as defendant had discontinued paying the subscription, the learned counsel asked the Court to appoint a receiver to receive and collect the subscriptions on behalf of Mrs. Moyle.

The judge remarked that the covenant did not say a word about the payment of the subscriptions out of the pension which defendant received. It simply said the subscription "shall be paid." The case which Mr. Kirkpatrick cited a case in support of his argument, but his Lordship ruled that it was not in point.

His Lordship, in passing a decree, said the first part of the covenant on which the defendant was sued was that he should pay, on the 18th of each month, a clear sum of Rs. 90 for the separate use of his wife. Colonel Moyle admitted that these payments were in arrear; and the only ground he mentioned for not paying them was that the arrangement was made when he was on general duty and in the receipt of pay, and before he was compelled by Government to retire on a pension. His pension was £432 per annum, out of which he had to pay the Rs. 90 per month; and on his getting more than agreed to pay more for his wife. It was clear that the arrears of this monthly allowance were due, and therefore judgment must pass for the amount. Then followed the claim on account of the arrears of subscription to the military fund. It was a simple covenant that defendant should pay the subscription, creating a personal covenant—but not upon the pension which he received. The Court could not make an order for a receiver, for there was no fund in existence. There was no damage sustained either by the trustees or by Mrs. Moyle; nor was it certain whether she would survive her husband. The claim could not be sustained in a Court of law; but this was a Court both of law and of equity; and looking to the intention of the parties when the covenant was entered into, his Lordship said he was justified in holding that it was the intention of the parties that Mrs. Moyle should be maintained in the same state after her husband's death as she was during his life-time; and the defendant was therefore personally liable to pay the arrears of subscription to the military fund. Judgment was therefore given for the plaintiffs for Rs. 1,182, the amount of the arrears of the monthly allowance as well as of the subscription, with costs, and interest on the judgment at 6 per cent. until payment.

HIGH COURT.—14TH AUGUST.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. JUSTICE BAYLEY.)

JAMALBHOY JAIRAZBHOY *vs.* FAZULLA CASSUMBHOY NATHABHOY.

MR. FARRAN, instructed by Messrs. Fletcher and Smith, appeared for the plaintiff, the executor of the late Peer Mahomed Cassumbhoy, defendant's brother. Mr. Purcell appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Farran applied to his Lordship to make absolute a rule granted on the 10th July last, which required the defendant to show cause why he should not deposit in Court Rs. 2,000 for defraying the marriage expenses of Aladin Peer Mahomed, infant son of Peer Mahomed Cassumbhoy, deceased, as directed by the decree made in this Court, and why in the meantime defendant should not be restrained from selling or in any way dealing with the estate of the late Cassumbhoy Nathabhoy, the testator, and why a receiver should not be appointed to take charge of and manage the state except the cart situated at Mahim of which Mr. Limjee N. Banajee has already been appointed the receiver.

Mr. Purcell said he did not object to the appointment of a receiver, but as some of the property had been contracted to be sold, he asked that the receiver be directed to receive the deposit money and the proceeds of the sale.

Mr. Farran said he had received no instructions either to assent to or dissent from the proposal; but he thought it was a matter for the receiver.

The Judge—You virtually have no cause to show.

Mr. Purcell said he did not dispute the claim. The bungalow was mortgaged to Munguldass Nathabhoy; and he did not see why the receiver should not be asked to receive the proceeds of the sale.

His Lordship said it was a matter for the receiver who could at any time apply to the judge in chambers. The rule was made absolute; Mr. Surrotum Succaram (his Lordship's interpreter) to be receiver without giving security. Costs of both parties to come out of the estate of the late Cassumbhoy Nathabhoy.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. JUSTICE GREEN.)

ARTHUR GEO. LATHAM AND OTHERS *vs.* THE COCONADA PRESS COMPANY.

THE HON. MR. Justice Green delivered judgment in this case, in which the plaintiffs sought to recover various sums, alleged to be due to them as secretaries and treasurers to the defendants for work done, for goods sold and delivered, for money lent and paid, and for interest on the expenditure. The original company was the Alexandra Press Company which was formed in Bombay, but the work of which was carried on at Madras. The defendants were secretaries and treasurers to that company, and the Madras agents were Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co. In 1874, the Alexandra Press Company was wound up, and its machinery removed to Coconada, a new company being formed under the title of the Coconada Press Company, which took over the old company's assets and liabilities. A large portion of the claim was for money expended in the course of the removal of the machinery to Coconada and the establishment of the works there. The claim in respect of Rs. 2,146-14-2, being the plaintiff's commission at 5 per cent on Rs. 42,737, another part of the claim due and paid to Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co. was abandoned. The defence was that a much smaller amount was really due, and that the plaintiffs were not authorised to incur liabilities in respect of the removal of the machinery to the extent alleged to have been incurred. His Lordship found that the defendants were indebted to the plaintiffs as alleged, and gave judgment for an aggregate amount of Rs. 47,132-12-1, with interest at 5 per cent. from the dates of payment by the plaintiffs of the various sums of Rs. 1,525-7-9, Rs. 20,000, Rs. 15,000, Rs. 10,176-14-3, and Rs. 430, of which it was composed. From the aggregate must be deducted a sum of Rs. 8,178-9-10, in the hands of the plaintiffs, together with interest at 4 per cent. from August 1874 to January, 1875, and at 9 per cent. from that date till judgment. The decree was accordingly for the balance between the two amounts and the interest calculated, with costs.

MR. WILLIAM SOWERBY, C.E., COQUETTING WITH THE GREAT "GUZERAT MITRA" AND SNUBBED AND REJECTED.

IN answer to our criticism of last week Mr. William Sowerby has favoured us with an interesting communication. It is sent to us from Bombay in the shape of an article whose title, as given by the writer himself, is "The Condition of India Question." The communication seems apparently to have been written in great haste, for there are some words in it which are misspelt, and Mr. Sowerby has made a noun in the singular number agree with a verb in the plural. Mr. Sowerby writes—"I am informed by a native friend that the *Guzerat Mitra* has some very truculent remarks anent my letter in the *Times of India* on Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji's paper read before the East India Association of Bombay. I have not read the article." We are sorry that Mr. Sowerby did not read our article before he wrote to us his reply. He goes on to say—"I may inform the editor that my remarks on Mr. Dadabhai's paper were not written with a view to apply the rod of hostility, but rather the rod of correction." We beg to inform Mr. Sowerby that this is not the style in which the editor of a newspaper is usually addressed. As to the "rod of correction," we believe sensible men will not be so presumptuous in dealing with a man of Mr. Dadabhai's knowledge of politics and of experience in Indian affairs. "With Mr. Dadabhai's acknowledged abilities, he might do much good if his efforts were rightly directed; whereas he is now following an old and well-known road which will lead him on to become a mere political scarecrow which like many whom I have known in my time, such as Mr. Feargus O'Connor, Mr.

coins was to be manufactured. They were to be legal tender, but side by side with existing silver coins. Powers were given for withdrawing silver coins, and the coining of silver was stopped. The privilege, therefore, enjoyed by the holders of silver bullion to have that bullion turned into coin was withdrawn, a long step towards demonetisation. But silver coins remained a legal tender as hitherto, and no new subsidiary silver coinage was at this time introduced.

The scope of this first law is so far important to the present inquiry, as it bears on the state of the silver market between December 1871, and the middle of July 1873, when the next great step was taken.

On the 9th July 1873 another Coinage Law ("Munzgesetz") was passed. This law introduced the gold standard.

It commenced with the words, "The Imperial gold currency takes the place of the various currencies which are now legal in Germany, belonging to the separate States."

The moment at which the Imperial currency was to come into force in the whole Empire was to be fixed by Imperial decree after a three months' notice.

Five-mark gold pieces were to be coined as well as the 20 and 10-mark pieces.

The Act then proceeds to declare that, besides the Imperial gold coins, Imperial silver coins were to be issued (5 mark, 2 mark, 1 mark, and smaller pieces). A hundred 1 mark pieces were to be coined out of one pound of fine silver. According to the standard taken when the 10 mark gold piece was made equal to 3½ thalers which were full-weighted silver coin, not 100 marks, but only 90 marks of an equal fineness could have been coined out of one pound of fine silver. (Thirty thalers used to be coined out of one pound of pure silver.) The silver mark is accordingly a subsidiary coin, issued at 11 1/9 per cent. below its nominal value. To that extent it is a depreciated coin.

The total amount to be issued of the new Imperial silver coins was, till further notice ("bis auf weiteres"), not to exceed 10 marks per head of the population of the Empire; this population amounting to about 43,000,000, the provisional maximum for the new subsidiary coinage was about 430,000,000 marks, or 21,500,000*l.*

These new silver coins were not to be legal tender beyond the limit of 20 marks (about 1*l.*), but the Imperial and State Treasure's were to accept them up to any amount.

Such being the regulations which were made for the introduction of the subsidiary coinage, powers were given to the "Bundesrath" to demonetise the coins of the various States.

Demonetisation was not to follow as a matter of course *immediately*, but *powers were given* to effect it. It will be seen hereafter what progress has been made up till now. It may, however, be stated at once that the "thaler," which was by far the largest element of the old silver currency, has not yet been demonetised.

The coining of any other than the Imperial silver coins was now finally stopped.

Clauses were added definitely enacting how payments due in the old currencies were to be made in the new, and fixing the temporary relation of the coins to each other, till the old coins should be demonetised.

The last clause (s. 18) of this important Act (also not in the original Bill) enacted as follows:—"All banknotes which are not made payable in Imperial currency are to be withdrawn before the 1st January 1876. From this date forward only such bank-notes as are made payable in Imperial currency *in amounts not less than* 100 *marks* (5*l.*) *may remain in circulation or be issued.*

Other laws dealing with the paper currency issued both by the various States of Germany, and by the Banks, were subsequently passed, but as they have less bearing on the silver question, it is unnecessary to specify their nature. It is sufficient to state, that the general policy underlying the legislation in this respect was the substitution of Imperial notes in place of the various notes issued by the States composing the Confederation, and that various limitations were placed on the privileges of issue of the private Banks.*

Your Committee now proceed to state what action has been taken under these Coinage Laws.

Gold coins to the amount of about 1,400,000,000 marks, or 70,000,000*l.*, have been struck up to the 17th June.

The Acts decreasing the withdrawal of all bank-notes for smaller denominations than 100 marks (5*l.*) before the 1st of January 1876, appear to have been practically carried out to their full extent. An official return (published in the "Reiches Central Blatt" of 19th May 1876) gives the total notes in circulation on the 30th April 1876, as 942,000,000 marks, of which only 2,330,000 marks, or 115,000*l.* were of notes which before 31st December 1875 were not made payable in Imperial currency. The amount of bank-notes in circulation below 5*l.* was estimated by the President of the Imperial Chancery, in a debate during the session of the "Reichastag" of 1874, as not then to amount to 177,500,000 thalers, or about 26,625,000*l.*

Of gold coins, silver coins to an amount equal to 450,000,000 marks, or 22,500,000*l.* had been withdrawn up to the 31st day of March 1876.

Of new silver coins an amount equal to 248,000,000 marks, or 12,300,000*l.*, had been struck up to the 17th day of June 1876.

Sales of silver had taken place to the amount of about 9,000,000*l.* The quantity officially reported as sold up to the 20th April 1876 is given in an enclosure in Sir Rutherford Alcock's Despatch of the 6th May as 1,000,000 lbs. fine. Irrespective of the prices paid for the amounts offered for sale (which would give a considerable sum), the total sales represent the extinction of silver coins to the extent of a little less than 5,000,000*l.*

No explanation has been given of the difference between the amount of silver coins withdrawn and the amount coined, *i.e.*, 11,360,000*l.* and the amount sold, 9,000,000*l.*, together 17,360,000*l.* on the other. The returns are made up to different dates, but the difference appears large. It must in part be represented by silver on hand for sale and silver kept in stock in the various Mints for further examination of the coins.

Besides the withdrawal of the silver coinage of the Government proceeded by series, taking, in the first instance, those series which had become more or less obsolete, or which belonged to the older dates, and dealing with the more limited "Gulden" circulation of South Germany before embarking in the vast field of operation presented by the thaler currency. Using the discretion confided to it, the Imperial Government has thus far only *demonetised* the South German "Gulden" coins and sundry old coins, such as the "crown thalers' and "Convention Thalers"; but the *withdrawal* of the older series of Prussian Thalers has also been begun, and good progress has been made in exchanging the two-thaler pieces.

The general result is as follows:

	Marks.
Demonetisation of South German Currency	180,500,000
,, Crown Thalers	8,000,000
,, Convention Thalers	2,000,000
,, Currency of Saxony, Schleswig Holstein, Mecklenburg, Hamburg, and Lubeck	4,350,000
Together	194,850,000

The withdrawal, but not the demonetization of the Thalers, has also been commenced.

	Marks.
Of the two-Thaler pieces there have been withdrawn	109,000,000
Of Thalers, between 1750 and 1816	47,000,000
Of Thalers, between 1817 and 1822	36,000,000
Of Thalers, between 1823 and 1856	1,800,000
While of Thalers coined from 1857 forward there have been withdrawn, only	10,000
Thalers has also been made in the withdrawal of coins representing fractional parts of Thalers to an amount of	50,000,000
	243,810,000
Add total from above	194,850,000
	Marks. 438,660,000†
	£ 21,930,000

The total accordingly may be roughly taken at 22,000,000*l.*

The main question which arises on these figures is, what proportion does the total sum of silver money already withdrawn bear to the total which has to be dealt with before the operation is concluded? What amount of silver coin can be presented for exchange, and what amount of silver will the German Government still have to bring to market after providing for the balance of the new subsidiary coinage which has still to be struck? The answer to these questions depends on the amount of silver money which may be assumed to have been in circulation in December 1871, a problem with regard to which the most divergent calculations have been made by various authorities, official and statistical.

Your Committee abstained from taking much oral evidence on this branch of the subject, as no one in England who had not given it special attention, and who had not had special means of obtaining information in Germany, would have been able to speak with any degree of authority. On the other hand, documents sent from Berlin, where the inquiry had given occasion for much controversy for the last four years, were likely to contain all that could really be ascertained. Mr. Pietesh, the manager of the London branch of the Deutsche Bank, which establishment had sold a large portion of the silver already disposed of, for account of the German Government, and who, besides having studied the question very intelligently, had special means of information in Berlin, was the only witness whom the Committee examined at any length with reference to the amount of silver in Germany. (Evidence, pp. 31 to 40 and 68, 69.)

Before proceeding to state what facts and estimates have been brought before your Committee, it may be well to quote the following note in an official return put before the German Parliament in 1873, giving an account of the total coinages in Germany from 1750 to 1871:—" *Though even an approximate calculation of the silver coins which have been melted down or exported is impossible enough it is necessary to abandon the idea to discover the amount of the coins of the different German Mint systems which may be in circulation at present*, nevertheless the annexed figures may in so far be of some interest, as they represent the basis which may statistically be laid down, from which a starting point may be attained in an estimate of the circulation of German coins."

The Despatch of Lord Odo Russell, dated 14th April 1876, also speaks of the impossibility of accurate information being obtained on this head. All estimates must therefore be received with extreme caution.

The calculations which have been made appear to have been based

Partly, on theoretical inferences as to the extent to which the causes which diminish any currency, such as

(1.) Export in the ordinary course of trade,
(2.) Export by means of emigration,
(3.) Export in consequence of war indemnities,
(4.) Melting down for manufacturing purposes,
(5.) The ordinary wear and tear of coins,
(6.) The actual loss of coin,

may have, as a matter of fact, diminished the total of silver coin in circulation,

Partly, on the facts revealed in the case of series of coins already withdrawn,

Partly, on evidence afforded as to the actual amount now circulating, by returns stating the stocks held by the banks, savings banks, public and local treasuries, and so forth.

(*To be continued.*)

* The facts contained in the foregoing account of the legislation which has taken place in Germany have been extracted from the official documents forwarded by the German Government, and from Dr. Soetbeer's articles on the recent Currency Laws, forwarded by Lord Odo Russell.

† These figures are given in round numbers.

LORD MACAULAY.*

THE following article, continued from our Monday's issue, from the *Quarterly Review* for July, is from the pen of Mr. W. E. Gladstone:—

The combination of great knowledge, great diligence, great powers of appreciation, and great uprightness and kindliness of mind with a constant tendency to exaggerate, with unjust and hasty judgments, and with a nearly uniform refusal to accept correction, offers a riddle not unknown on a smaller scale in smaller men, but here of peculiar interest, because, though Macaulay's kind may not have been the greatest, he was, in his kind, so singularly great. The solution of it seems to lie in this: that, with a breathless rapidity, he filled in his picture before his outline was complete, and then with an extreme of confidence he supplied the colour from his own mind and prepossessions, instead of submitting to take them from his theme. Thus each subject that he treated of became, as has been observed, a mirror which reflected the image of himself. The worshipping estimate which Mr. John Stuart Mill formed of his wife's powers, was unintelligible to those who had known her, until it was remembered that she was simply the echo of his own voice. She repeated to him his own thoughts and his own conclusions; and he took them, when they proceeded from her lips, for the independent oracles of truth. The echo of himself, which Mill found in his wife, was provided for Macaulay in his own literary creations; and what he thought was loyal adhesion to the true and right was only the more and more close embrace of the image he himself had fashioned and adored.

All this, however, is not to be taken for granted. We shall support it by reference to the works of those who we think have supplied the proof, and shall likewise proceed to add some illustrations in detail.

For his own eye the ornaments of his Essay on Milton were so soon as in 1845 gaudy and ungraceful, while for the world they were only rich, dazzling, or at most profuse. As he writes in that year, it contains 'scarcely a paragraph such as his matured judgment approves' ('Essays,' Preface). But there is no misgiving as to the substance of the Essay; and even with regard to his articles on James Mill, which he had dropped on special grounds, he was not 'disposed to retract a single doctrine which they contain.' (*a*) If it be thought unfair or misleading to scrutinise closely a production which, while so wonderful, is likewise so youthful as the Essay on Milton, we apply that we examine it for the following reason; because it was the work over which he cast the longest retrospect, and yet this retrospect did not suggest even so much as a qualification, however general, of the opinions it conveyed. We must observe, however, that in the case of Macaulay general qualification would be nearly useless. The least we could have craved of his repentance, had he repented, would have been that the peccant passages should be obliterated. For in all his works, the sound and the unsound parts are closely dovetailed; his *series juncturaque*, his arrangement and his transitions, are perfect; the assertions are everywhere alike fearless, the illustrations alike happy; and the vision of the ordinary reader has scarcely a chance of distinguishing between truth and error, where all is bathed, and lost, in one overpowering blaze and flood of light. We might as well attempt to detect, with the naked eye, the spots in the sun.

The Essay combines in one view the works, the opinions, and the character of Milton; and it may perhaps be pronounced at once the most gorgeous and the most highflown panegyric to be found anywhere in print. It describes Milton ('Essays,' i. 4) as the martyr of English liberty; seemingly for no other reason than that in his life the course of public affairs was not to his mind. Deeply dyed with regicide, he was justly and wisely spared; and he suffered no molestation from those whom, the first day he had got the power, he would not have lost a moment in molesting. Macaulay scoffs at the idea that Charles I. was a martyr to religion; but religion had manifestly something to do with his end, and his title to the name is sounder than Milton's at least in this, that his head was actually cut off.

Milton took (says the great Reviewer, p. 30) in politics the part to be expected from his high spirit and his great intellect; for he lived 'at the very crisis of the conflict between Oromasdes and Ahrimanes,' when the mighty principles of liberty were exhibited in the form of a battle between the principle of good and the principle of evil. Such is Macaulay's trenchant view of the character and merits of the great and mixed conflict known by the name of the Great Rebellion. In what strange contrast does it stand with that of another writer, his contemporary and his friend, not less truly nor less heartily a lover of freedom than himself. Let those who prefer a temperate to a torrid zone, pass from these burning utterances to Mr. Hallam's discussion, in his Eleventh Chapter, of the respective claims and merits of the two parties to the war. In a statement, than which perhaps the whole compass of history does not contain a finer example of searching scrutiny together with judicial temper, he arrives at the conclusion that the war was opened in 1642 'with evil auspices, with much partial despotism on the one hand, with those of anarchy on the other.' (*b*)

Returning to the (then) recently published work of Milton on 'Christian Doctrine,' Macaulay observes 'some of the heterodox doctrines which he avows seem to have excited considerable amazement, particularly his Arianism and his theory on the subject of polygamy.' At this amazement, he is himself amazed; and with a curiosity remark he passes lightly on. As regards his Arianism, we could not reasonably have expected more. That, after all, touches only dogma; and though dogma be the foundation stone of Christianity, still, like other foundation stones, it is out of sight. But the 'theory of polygamy' which, as the Essayist observes, Milton did something to illustrate in his life, ought surely to have made him 'think thrice' before he proceeded to assure us that Mr Bouk's conception of love had not only 'all the voluptuousness of the Oriental harem, and not only 'all the gallantry of the chivalric tournament, but 'all pure and the quiet affection of our English fireside' (p. 29).

It is especially to be borne in mind that Milton's advocacy of this detestable and degrading institution is not either casual or half-hearted. 'So far,' he says himself, 'is the question respecting the lawfulness of polygamy from the world having grown old